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# Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

## A Tribute to Frank Ball

It was with deep regret the writer learned of the death of Mr. F. L. Ball the morning of October 31, 1963. Frank, as he was known to his many friends and associates, will be sorely missed; he was a real gentleman and it was always a pleasure to be in his company.

Frank was a great asset to the hobby of collecting mechanical banks and cast iron toys and was one of the early pioneers in this field. He increased the dealing phase in these items more actively after his retirement as an executive with a New England utilities firm. He bought and sold over the years from his home and then in a place he fondly referred to as The Loft. In recent years he was associated with F. A. O. Schwarz of New York City. They formed an antique toy department and Mr. Ball's activities were centered around this division of the Schwarz Company.

In past years Frank handled a number of the fine rare mechanical banks and some of the best of the cast iron toys. The writer vividly recalls one trip in particular to Cambridge a few years ago. At the time Frank had available the large size Ives cast iron pull train in complete and fine condition, a three seated Hubley brake, complete and original with all figures, and several other excellent toys. In addition, of course, there were varieties of other type cast iron toys and a good representative group of mechanical banks. Some of the best pieces collectors have in their respective collections, particularly so in cast iron toys, came to them through the good help of Frank Ball.

Frank was a most conscientious person and he always tried to be fair in his dealings. He will be greatly missed by his many friends and admirers, particularly those who collect mechanical banks and cast iron toys.

## AN INTERESTING DISCOVERY

A most interesting and informative experience occurred recently on the occasion of the writer's visit to the Churchill Country Club antique show. Smiths' Antiques of Mt. Union, Pa., brought with them a Fortune Teller Savings Bank that Mrs. Smith had purchased at another show several months prior to this show. The Fortune Teller Savings Bank has been a more or less unknown quantity since the only wording on the bank, other than the name, are the letters "PAT" on the underside bottom of the safe. The Smiths' example of this bank, however, is in complete, fine, original condition including the original paper label which covers the entire back of the large safe. This is something the writer had never seen and the label is of great interest, informative, and most attractive.

The large center section of the label is a decorative picture. Above this appears "Fortune Teller Savings Bank Patented Feb. 19, 1901." Below the picture are the directions as follows:

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Across the bottom of the label appears, "Mfg'd by Baumgarten & Co., Baltimore, U.S.A."

The large center picture is a country scene of two women in old

fashioned puffed sleeve dresses sitting in chairs out in the open. A barrel is represented as a table between them. On the barrel top sits the Fortune Teller Savings Bank, and one of the women is inserting a coin therein. In the background of the picture there is a tent with a coal stove inside; to the left of this, among some trees, is a prairie schooner type wagon with two unhitched horses.

The entire label is done in bright attractive colors of red, green, blue, brown, yellow and so on. Frankly speaking the label adds measurably to this bank since it is a rather plain nickel plated safe type bank and not particularly attractive in itself. The writer will pass along further information regarding the Fortune Teller Savings Bank at the time of the regular classification article.

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Helen W. Schwarzbach of Atlantic City, N.J., long time friend of HOBBIES Magazine wrote to tell us of her recent activities. In the past year Mrs. Schwarzbach has entered the insurance business. At a recent dinner meeting of the Insurance Women of Atlantic County, of which she is a member, Mrs. Schwarzbach was asked to give a talk on her porcelain collection.

Mrs. Schwarzbach said that she packed ten cartons of pieces of her collection and before the meeting started she placed them around the dining room of the Penn-Atlantic Hotel in Atlantic City, N.J., where the dinner was held. Mrs. Hoyt Montgomery, first vice-president and pro-

gram chairman, introduced Mrs. Schwarzbach as guest speaker of the evening, who then told the history of various pieces, their markings and coloring, and something of the composition of hard and soft paste. Mrs. Schwarzbach also explained to the ladies how they might identify any Haviland pieces they might have at home. Although she said there was just one member previously interested in antiques, all the members were quite responsive to her talk.

Mrs. Schwarzbach has been affiliated with the Atlantic City Antique Collectors Club since its beginning and is a charter member.



Mrs. Schwarzbach with some of her porcelain collection.



# Numismatics

Conducted by CHARLES FRENCH

## Coins of the European Dark Ages

By CHARLES FRENCH

Rome fell. The barbarians sacked and burnt it. Thus ended the Civilization that for hundreds of years had ruled the known world.

Chaos and devastation ensued. Governing bodies disintegrated and Europe was left with little or no controls. Travel was perilous, for roving bands of outlaws were everywhere, raping, pillaging, and stealing. The terrible European dark ages had begun.

In the East, the Eastern Roman Empire, the Byzantines, continued to rule but this hardly helped the West.

Something had to be done, and the more enterprising lords and barons built themselves strong castles to protect their domains. People flocked to them for safety and thus the Feudal system began.

Each his own ruler, these lords used a heavy hand in enslaving the populace. Armor and the sword were the words of the day.

Tradesmen, business men, and commercial enterprise were looked down upon. Money was of little account. Men who could fight the best and be the bravest were the greatest.

The Byzantine Empire carried on its regular coinage in both gold and silver, and some bronze. So did other empires in the East. Sassanian Persia, issued silver dirhems for several centuries.

Europe's coinage had dropped to an all-time low. Britain issued small, poorly struck silver pennies with the Christian Cross upon them as early as the 7th century A.D. These coins were struck by local petty kings. The French, later on under Charlemagne, issued silver pennies and other coins, similar to the English coins.

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If gold was needed for trade the Arabian dinars, and Byzantine Nomismas were used. The wealth of the world was in the East.

Eastern coins were sometimes poorly made. Arabian dinars had no living objects or figures upon them. Their designs were calligraphic legends in Arabic. Byzantine pieces were crude, cup-shaped coins depicting religious figures of Christ, crosses, and icons.

The Crusades to the Orient, very likely started Europe back on the road to recovery, for about that time we find a revived interest in trade. Merchant cities began to prosper. Venice became a power. And with this recovery we begin to see the first Western European gold coins struck.

The Venetian ducats first coined by John Dandolo in 1280 were widely used throughout the Mediterranean. The gold nobles of Edward III 1327-1377, the chaise d'or of Philip IV 1285-1314, and the gold maravedi of Alfonso VIII of Castile and Leon 1158-1214 began to make their appearance. These were the fore-runners of the many gold coins struck throughout the Continent from then on.

Europe had finally come out of its dark ages.

It came out with hundreds of city states, principalities, dukedoms, and small governments, many of which issued their own coins. Germany alone had well over 100 cities and principalities, all issuing coins. Similar situations were evident in the Italian Peninsula.

Many of the coins were very well done, for the Renaissance had arrived and Art had taken an important place in the world. The coins were ornate, with all kinds of designs.

Crests and heraldry were popular. So were views of medieval cities, bells, wild men, marriages, and knights on horseback. Most everything conceivable was used as a design on coins.

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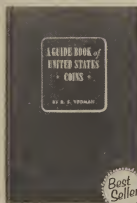
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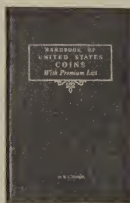


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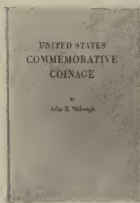


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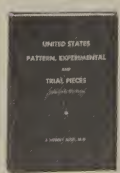
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By CHARLES FRENCH

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## Question:

Have been reading your most interesting and instructive columns in *HOBBIES* Magazine. The one on "Phonies" (coins) was most enlightening. I wonder if the coin I have is in another class of "Phonies."

This is a copper colored 1958 Jefferson nickel, somewhat larger than usual, even the head of Jefferson is larger, perhaps just a trifle. If some one has given it a copper wash, it has been quite evenly done, with the exception of the edges of the rim, which are light, and some specks of same on the memorial on the obverse side. Also, on this side at the bottom, between the first and the last T in states, there is a lump of metal almost obliterating the letter A (see rubbing).

I also have a 1929 Liberty quarter that has a tiny letter M stamped or incused under the lowest star near the date. Is this unusual? Both these coins have been received in change. Your comments on both would be appreciated.

—Mrs. M. A. S., Massachusetts

## Answer:

It would be difficult to tell whether the Jefferson nickel is genuine without seeing it. However, your description leads me to believe that this is a cast duplicate, not original.

The small initial M appears on all Liberty Standing quarters. It is for MacNeal, the coins designer.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Enclosed find a rubbing of a copper coin that we have. Would appreciate it very much if you can give us any information about it and its value, if any. On one side you can clearly distinguish the date, 1835, and a coat of arms with one large lion on each side, and a small one in center top. On other side, East India Company, and half-Anna, and also a wreath of some sort.

—Mrs. J. S. W., Texas

## Answer:

This is a Half Anna coin of the East India Co., that coined money for India at that time. It is not rare currently, retailing for around 25c.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

A friend of mine asked me to write you about some coins she has. I'm afraid the rubbings are not very

good, but she is anxious to know if the coins are of any value. Would appreciate any help you can give her.

—E. A. J., Iowa

## Answer:

What your friend has is a Civil War Patriotic Token of which there are many varieties. These currently retail at around \$1 each.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Please evaluate the enclosed rubbing of an Andrew Jackson token for me. I am led to believe that this is a very rare token.

—W. A., Delaware

## Answer:

I do not believe you have a Jackson cent but a brass medal which is of no particular value.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Has this 1827 Liberty Head copper cent lost its value on account of the hole bored through? It is worn, too, as pencil rubbing shows.

—Mrs. A. L., Michigan

## Answer:

Sorry to say, the cent with the hole has lost its value.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Please state value of a '64-L and price.

—J. W. M., Florida

## Answer:

I am quite certain this is an 1864-L as indicated by the fact that the point of the bust is pointed, the cents without the "L" have a rounded point. Value, well, it is not a desirable coin insofar as collectors like to see the "L." It should retail for around \$5 to \$6.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Enclosed is a pencil rubbing of a coin I recently acquired. It is extremely thin, and of copper. One side has the date 1790. Directly above the date there appears a large V. The left leg of the V appears to have a reversed "C." The other leg has a natural "C." There is also a star directly above the opening of the "V."

The reverse side has a crest. On either side of the center shield is a lion, standing on its rear leg with its forefeet resting on the upper part of the shield. The top of the shield has three figures, similar to the club symbol found on a deck of playing cards. There is also some type of design on the bottom part of the coin, but it is hard to discern.

I believe this may be an early English coin but would appreciate further identification and approximate value if possible. Thank you.

—J. J. W., Minnesota

## Answer:

This is a small bronze coin of Netherlands Indies currently retailing for around 25 cents.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

This coin has no penny or amount marked on it. The front says, H.M. G.M. Queen and Victoria. The back on top says, "To Hanover," with the picture of a king on a horse, and a three-headed dragon running along side of him, and dated 1830. I would like to know what it is and what it's worth. See pencil rubbing.

—G. M., Michigan

## Answer:

You have an English token for the Queen's consort, Prince Albert. It is worth about 50 cents.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

I have a 1918 Liberty Head dime. Front view, it looks like her head tore through a newspaper. This dime was mounted on a silver ring around the year 1918, and her face pressed outward. On the back of this dime is "United States of America One Dime." On one side of it there is a W, like the one on the Winged Head Liberty or Mercury type dime.

I would like to know more about this coin, first of all is it rare? I find no trace of it in any of my Coin Books. Second, is this a Proof Coin or a Commemorative Coin? This may be a Pattern Coin of A. A. Weinman, since it has a W on it like his initial on his Mercury Dime.

—T. M. H., Illinois

## Answer:

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## THE ST. JAMES SCALLOP

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James, Although it is sometimes called the Crusaders' Scallop, it is as the symbol of St. James that it has become incorporated into ecclesiastical art for over 1000 years.

In a 14th century Italian painting of St. James it appears on his staff. Scallops appear in some of the stained glass windows at Chartres Cathedral, in France. And they enrust an early 16th century palace at Salamanca, Spain.

In a little church, built in 1778 at Pontevedra, in the far Northwest of Spain, may be seen the figure of the Virgin as a Pilgrim, the brim of her hat being turned up in front with, at center of the hat, a golden scallop.

Such objects as the scallop, in the days before all people could read, were used as a means of teaching moral values. Thus it was taught that the two shells of the scallop stood for the Two Great Commandments—Love God and your Neighbor. The ribs stood for the fingers of the hand, ready to perform acts of goodness and blessing.

Oddly enough the actual species of scallop used in this way, and carried off from Compostela by the pilgrims, was not really the St. James Scallop.

Compostela is not on the coast, so that any scallops brought in for sale had to be caught by fishermen and carried inland for commercial purposes. Furthermore communication was bad in the days when the scientist Linnaeus gave the name *Pecten jacobus* to a scallop which actually comes from the other coast of Spain, and the coasts of Italy and Sicily.

But while the name *Pecten jacobus* applies just to the one exact species, it is the Scallop in a more general sense which finds its place in art and architecture as the Badge of St. James.

## ALMANACS

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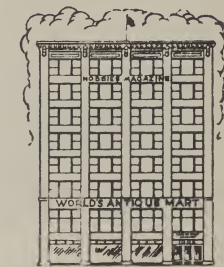
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## Jonah and the Whale Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH

A mechanical bank with a biblical background is our choice as No. 116 in the numerical classification. This is the *Jonah And The Whale*, and it is a large, well designed, impressive bank with good action. The name, as shown in the picture, is cast in large letters along both side plates. Since there are two known different types of the *Jonah And The Whale*, it is well to point out that only one type has the name on the bank itself. The other type *Jonah And The Whale* is very rare and is No. 20 in the numerical classification (HOBBIES, May, 1953). There has always existed some degree of confusion since both banks have the same theme, and while they look nothing alike appearance-wise, the easiest way to remember to distinguish one from the other is by the large lettered name on the one now under discussion. No name whatsoever appears on the rare type. This plus the fact that in the one pictured *Jonah* is thrown towards the whale's mouth, and in the case of the rare one he comes out of the whale's mouth. There are many other differences and checking the photo in the May 1953 article with the one herewith will bear all this out. Actually the only confusing similarity between the two banks is in

sharing the same subject matter and name.

The *Jonah And Whale* pictured was patented July 15, 1890 by Peter Adams of Buffalo, N.Y., assignor to Charles G. Shepard and Walter J. Shepard, also of Buffalo. The patent is a design patent and covered a design for a toy savings bank. The diagram or sketch accompanying the text of the patent is practically identical to the actual manufactured item. The manufacturer of the bank was the Shepard Hardware Company of Buffalo. It bears mention at this point that not many mechanical banks, as such, were covered by a design patent alone. Most of the mechanical banks that were covered by a patent are on the basis of a regular patent which also protected certain features of the operating mechanism.

The bank shown is from the fine collection of Leon Perelman of Merion, Pa. It is in original condition with good paint and the colors are as follows: The side and end plates of the base are red with yellow corners, and the letters of the name are done in gold. The edges of the bottom plate and top part of the bank are striped in yellow and black. The water and waves are realistically

done in light bluish-green with white highlighting. The whale is a dark green-black color with a red mouth and white teeth. The boat is an off shade of yellow with stripes of gold, white, blue and red. The robes on the two figures are red and blue and they have white beards, flesh color faces and hands, and so on. All in all the *Jonah And Whale* is a very bright, attractively painted bank and gives a fine impressive appearance.

To operate the bank a coin is placed on the back of the figure of *Jonah*. The lever, which is recessed in the end plate under the rear of the boat, is then pressed. As the whale opens his mouth wide the figure holding *Jonah* moves forward in the boat toward the whale. The figure of *Jonah* tilts downward as though entering the whale's mouth, but instead the coin is thrown from his back into the whale. Releasing the lever returns the figures in the boat to the position shown in the picture. The whale's mouth closes and re-opens as though swallowing the coin. This action of the lower jaw continues for some time since it is balanced in a fashion to do so. Coins are removed by means of a key lock trap in the underside of the base.

In closing, a few words as to the story of *Jonah* are in order. *Jonah*

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A further point of interest in closing is the fact that the bank under discussion represents the first part of Jonah's ordeal, that is being cast to the whale. Then the other rare Jonah And Whale represents the end of his three days and nights ordeal by emerging from the whale. They make a fine pair of banks to have in a collection.

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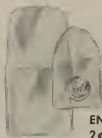
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—C. F., New York

## Question:

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## Answer:

I do not believe your token or medal is gold, for these are only known in bronze gilded. There is no information as to why these were coined other than the smallness of the printing indicates the excellent work that could be done with the new coinage presses about to be adopted at that time.

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## Question:

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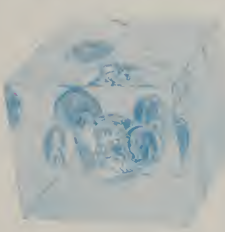
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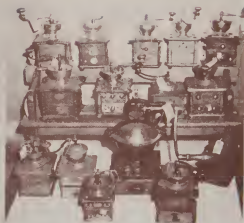


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# Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

## Leap-Frog Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH

The general basic idea or purpose behind most of the mechanical banks was to produce an animated toy with certain mechanism and action that would appeal to children and encourage and stimulate their interest to save pennies and other coins. On this basis alone, excluding the commercial phase at the moment, it is surprising how few of the known different mechanical banks made over the many years of their popularity depict children playing games as such or simply at play. This broad field of subject matter, certainly of interest to children, seems to have been largely left untouched by the various designers and manufacturers of mechanical banks. Just to name a few for example, such play and games as shooting marbles, hide and seek, teeter-totter, croquet, swinging, tag, spinning tops, hopscotch, and many others are not represented. Strangely enough the mechanical banks that were made utilizing only a few specific types of this theme are for the most part rather scarce and hard to find. These include the Girl Skipping Rope (HOBBIES, April 1952), the Roller skating Bank (HOBBIES, August 1952), and the more available bank we have chosen as No. 117 in the

numerical classification—the Leap-Frog. There is another rare possibility and this is the Coasting Bank, should an example ever turn up. Two other possible considerations are the Boy On Trapeze (French's Automatic Bank) and the Merry-Go-Round (HOBBIES, December 1951). Borderline banks like Darktown Battery (Baseball), A Calamity (Football) (HOBBIES, November 1958), and others of this nature are considered to be more representative of specific sports as such and are thus grouped in this category.

The Leap-Frog Bank is a very fine example of children, boys in this case, at play and best represents this theme, along with the Girl Skipping Rope and Roller Skating. It was patented September 15, 1891 by Charles G. Shepard and Peter Adams of Buffalo, N. Y. Adams was the assignor to Walter J. Shepard, also of Buffalo. The patent in this case is a design patent and relates to the configuration of a toy savings bank which represents the game of leap-frog. The diagram or sketch accompanying the text of the design patent is practically identical to the bank as actually produced. It was manufactured by the Shepard Hardware Company

of Buffalo, an outstanding producer of mechanical banks. As a matter of fact, until the Shepard line of banks was taken over by Stevens they possibly ranked on a par with or were second only to Stevens in this specialized field. Remembering, of course, that Stevens started some ten years or more before Shepard in producing mechanical banks, and then after acquiring the Shepard line of banks Stevens continued to manufacture certain of the former Shepard mechanical banks for many years under their own name.

Leon Perelman, a collector who has real interest and pride in his collection of mechanical banks, is the owner of the Leap-Frog pictured. It is in good original condition and the paint, while showing some wear and chipping, is in an unusually good state of preservation for this particular bank. Colors are as follows: The base is green with the name in gold, the tree stump is dark brown shaded with grey, and the top and other markings are yellow. The back fence is yellow with some white in the board separations. The plate that encloses the mechanism and covers the back of the fence is red. The boy in the stooping position has a red cap and knickers, blue socks and shirt with red and yellow trim. The other boy has a blue cap and knickers, red socks, and a yellow shirt with red trim. Details of the face of each boy, including eyes, eyebrows, mouth, and so on are exceptionally well done. This is the case with all the mechanical banks produced by Shepard where facial detail was concerned.

It bears mention at the moment that a number of the Shepard mechanical banks are quite difficult to find with the original paint in fine or better condition. Including the Leap-Frog, others are Uncle Sam (especially so), Mason Bank, Trick Pony, Speaking Dog, Jonah And The Whale (HOBBIES, February 1964), Circus Bank (HOBBIES, October 1952), Humpty Dumpty, Picture Gallery (HOBBIES, March 1958), and Punch And Judy. Any collector possessing all these banks with original paint in fine to mint condition can feel they have achieved a goal that is very difficult to accomplish.

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# GOLD for Numismatic Purposes

By CHARLES FRENCH

The terrible crash of the stock market in 1929 heralded the beginning of the worst depression in the history of our Nation.

The next four years saw the gradual decline of business, reduction in wages, and increased unemployment. Confidence in the Nation's economy shrank to its lowest ebb.

Towards the end of 1932 those who could afford it, alarmed at conditions, began withdrawing funds from banks—gold coins, paper money (gold certificates). This practice increased to such an alarming degree as to imperil the solvency of the banks.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt, our then new president, took command of the situation. On March 6th he issued a Presidential proclamation closing all banks for four days. It banned hoarding, embargoed gold, and authorized the use of nationwide scrip.

This proclamation was nationally announced and all citizens were aware of the situation. Appeals were sent out for hoarders to turn back their gold coin and gold coin certificates. Then the first rules and regulations were issued regarding hoarding.

It was publicized that all gold coins and gold coin certificates were to be turned in under penalty of a jail sentence and heavy fine.

There was one small paragraph in the original order, however, that was not as much publicized. This was that all were exempted to the extent of \$100 in gold coin. The government was clearly after those who hoarded large quantities, not those who had a few coins as keepsakes.

When one secured gold coins at the Federal Reserve, it was the custom to sign for them with your name and address. Records were perused as far back as six months prior to the banking holiday, and any large withdrawals of gold coins were screened to make certain these withdrawals were redeposited.

Any who had withdrawn large quantities of gold coins within six months of the bank holiday and had not redeposited them were liable to arrest.

A few weeks after the original order, the ruling was changed. It first eliminated the \$100 exemption,

but added the exemption of gold coins that were rare and were held in coin collections.

By this time many rarities must have been deposited, and while some most likely got lost in the process, no one can tell how many rare and desirable gold coins must have been melted down into bullion form.

With the new prices of gold around \$35 per ounce, an increase over the old valuation or around \$20 per ounce, plus the clamor for more and more gold by the Government, special gold licenses were issued to buyers authorizing them to buy all kinds of gold—jewelry, primarily.

These buyers, many of whom were unscrupulous, travelled the countryside calling at homes, inquiring whether people had any old gold, explaining that the gold values were high, and good prices could be realized.

Frequently buyers came across gold coins. While the then numismatic value of a \$20 gold piece was around \$33, these "carpetbaggers" would act shocked and inform the owners there was a jail sentence hanging over their heads for not having turned in their gold coins. Then having frightened owners out of their wits, the unscrupulous buyers bought the coins for from \$10 to \$15 per \$20 gold piece.

There is no doubt but the increase in gold values to \$35 per ounce started a vast interest in gold coin collecting. Prior to 1933 gold coins could be purchased for very little over face value (excepting, of course, outstanding rarities.) Even the now rare 1907 St. Gauden's Roman Numeral Double Eagle could be secured in perfect uncirculated condition for \$23.

I still have in my possession an uncirculated 1799 \$10 gold piece I purchased sometime in the 1920's from a dealer for \$12!

During the 1930's there was a considerable amount of numismatic trading in gold coins. The regulations were changed from time to time, each easing rules and penalties for violation to some degree.

Dealers buying and selling frequently endeavored to get from the government a clear and concise ruling as to what status the purchase and sale of these gold coins was under but were not able to get any clarification beyond the current gold hoarding act regulations.

There never was, to my knowledge, any action taken against anyone for the purchase and sale of gold coins as long as they were transacted according to the regulations.

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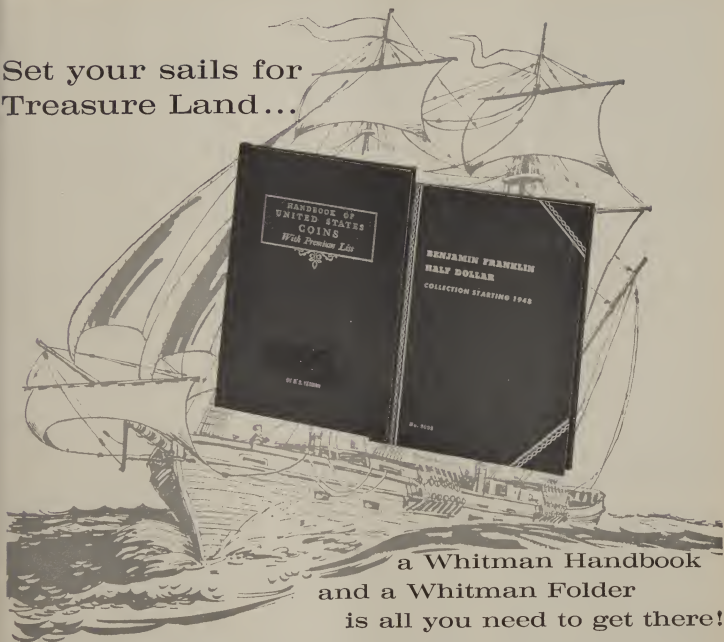
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coins were in violation, and consequently were restricted.

The only regulation I could never understand was the part which restricted collectors from owning more than two of each date, and mint-marked \$2.50 gold pieces. It was inferred at the time that while these were restricted, one could hold unlimited quantities of other denominations, all of the same date and mint-mark, as long as they could not be considered a hoard.

Under President Eisenhower, the rules were eased. It was presumed that, insofar as so many years had passed since the original proclamation, all remaining gold coins were considered rare and exempt, and penalties for hoarding were reduced to fines, eliminating the prison terms.

Under President Kennedy, with the outflow of our gold to foreign nations, regulations were issued to restrict the importation of gold coins for numismatic purposes. One must now obtain a special license to do so.

This is understandable for now there are literally thousands of gold coin collectors. And there have been entering the United States from foreign sources large quantities of gold coins, both United States and foreign.

In addition, certain unscrupulous parties in foreign lands are now counterfeiting our gold coins with such perfection and of such perfect gold content, as to defy detection from all but experts.

One may say it is foolish for our Government to stop the inflow of gold coins when we want gold in the country. But this is not the way things work out.

Each time gold coins are purchased by collectors with American dollars in foreign lands, our Government must make settlement with gold bullion, and this reduces our gold reserve.

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# COIN QUIZ

By CHARLES FRENCH

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## Question:

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—H. H., New York

## Answer:

This is a British Colonies' coin currently retailing for around \$1 in the condition indicated.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

I should like to know if the coin I have is of any value. See pencil rubbing. It is a Mercury head dime on one side, with the 1940 date. The other side of this coin is the same as the back of a Lincoln cent. This coin is in fairly good condition.

—M. E. J., Missouri

## Answer:

This is a type of specially made coin by some companies to be used in a magic trick. It is not a rarity.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Here is a silver piece, date 1837. Queen on both sides, young head and older head with crown. See pencil rubbings. It is Great Britain's Queen Victoria. What is it? And what is it worth?

—R. L. M., Tennessee

## Answer:

This is a silver medal of Queen Victoria, not a coin, retails for around \$1.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Your Coin Quiz listed in HOBBIES Magazine prompted me to make pencil rubbings of some of the coins I have. Enclosed self-addressed envelope for your answer on the valuation of these coins.

—Mrs. K. W., Missouri

## Answer:

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—C. F., New York

## Question:

Am enclosing rubbings of a coin. Can you please tell me what it is and what the present value might be?

—Mrs. J. N. W., Massachusetts

## Answer:

This coin is a 20 Reis coin of Peter II of Brazil. Its value, unfortunately, is only 5c.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

I am looking for information concerning Indian Head cents. I have an Indian Head cent with the Indian Head on both sides, with the date 1904 on one side and 1905 on the other side. I would like to hear from anyone who has any information concerning this type of cent.

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## Boy Scout Bank

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A mechanical bank that represents a very fine worthwhile organization is our choice as No. 118 in the numerical classification. This is the Boy Scout Bank and it well depicts one of the important and original activities of scouting, camping out. The Boy Scouts of America, since its inception, has been and continues to be a great stimulating constructive movement for boys in their formative years. The fact that a mechanical bank was made to more or less commemorate this organization during its early stages certainly adds a degree of interest and stature to the bank itself. And with the continued increased activity and interest in scouting over the years, this naturally has reflected through to the Boy Scout Bank as an increasingly desirable collector's item.

The bank was made by the J. & E. Stevens Co. of Cromwell, Conn., and very definitely designed by Charles A. Bailey. So far the writer has had no luck in locating any patent papers that would apply to the bank. This, like some other banks designed by Bailey, has no dates or other helpful information on the bank itself, however, this does not preclude the fact that the bank may have been covered by a regular or design patent. It is the writer's opinion that if papers do exist covering the bank they are in the form of a design patent and future research will bring them to light. Stevens catalogs, in this case, are helpful in placing the approximate period in which the bank was originally produced. It is not shown in their 1911 catalog or prior to this time

but it is pictured along with their Called Out Bank (HOBBIES, Oct., 1955), another Bailey item, in the 1917 catalog. So this narrows it down to a six year time period between 1911 and 1917.

The bank shown, which is from the fine collection of Leon Perelman of Merion, Pa., is in nice original condition with good paint. Colors are as follows: The base area around the tent is done in green highlighted in gold with some grey areas representing soil and rocks. The tree to the right of the tent is tan with green foliage over to the top of the tent. The owl perched in between is white with gold overtones. The tent is a cream color and a red pennant with gold staff rests against same. The large cooking pot is black with a silver handle, and the coffee pot is also silver. The scouts have brown uniforms and hats with orange socks and black shoes. Face and hands are flesh color. The flag held by the scout is white and the wording thereon, "Boy Scout Camp," is in gold.

To operate the bank a coin is placed in the provided slot located in the foliage of the tree on top of the tent. The coin stays in place. The lever, located underneath the owl, is then depressed. The coin drops into the bank automatically and the scout holding the flag raises it high over his head. Releasing the lever causes the scout to lower the flag.

Certain information as to the origin and so on of the scout movement is in order and of interest. The boy scout idea was founded in England by Sir Robert Baden-Powell. This

was to develop self reliance, resourcefulness, courage and other hardy virtues among the recruits to the constables that were sent out to him in South Africa. After the Boer War he was invited to develop a program for boys based on his ideas and the program included two units in the United States. This was in 1908. In our country during this year the Sons of Daniel Boone was organized by Daniel Carter Beard and the Woodcraft Indians was organized by Ernest Thompson Seton.

In 1910 the actual Boy Scout movement as such was brought to the United States by William D. Boyce, a Chicago publisher. On a visit to England Boyce accidentally came across a boy scout in the street who directed and took him to a certain address he was seeking. The scout was most courteous and refused to accept the coin offered to him by Boyce. This intrigued Boyce and he checked into the scout movement, thus became interested and returned with this interest to the United States. The scouting movement was then incorporated as The Boy Scouts of America, February 8, 1910. In September of the same year Sir Baden-Powell visited the United States and under his direction the National Council of Boy Scouts was organized. President Howard Taft accepted the office of Honorary First President and Teddy Roosevelt was Honorary Vice President and Chief Scout. Daniel Carter Beard was the first National Scout Commissioner.

In 1916 the organization was granted a Federal Charter by Congress. It is non-sectarian, non-political, and neither military nor non-military in character. In 1963 the Boy Scouts of America had a membership total of 5,322,000.

Many basic ideas in back of the original boy scout movement as organized would seem to be more closely based on the Woodcraft Indians as set up by Seton. There are a number of books by various authors that go into many detailed phases of the scouting movement, its origins and so on, and anyone interested in the subject, beyond the information herewith, can pursue the matter further by use of these books.

In closing, the Boy Scout Bank is a very attractive item and in spite of the fact that it is a rather late bank, it is not readily available and somewhat difficult to find in nice original condition. It would logically follow that the bank would have a popular appeal and therefore be produced

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Financing the war was no easy job. The South, not having much heavy industry, had to rely upon foreign aid for those badly needed

supplies, and had to pay for them with hard cash.

Coins went out of circulation. There was an attempt to continue the operation of the New Orleans mint but this failed due to the lack of metal. The only coins that were struck there for the Confederacy were the cent and half dollar. Both were experimental pieces and are very rare.

As the war progressed and things began to look blacker, confidence began to wane and there was a scramble for gold. Some State bank notes, formerly considered "as good as gold" were redeemed for gold at "20 cents on the dollar."

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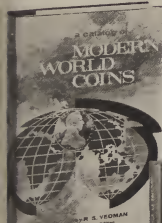
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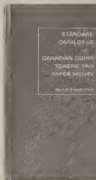
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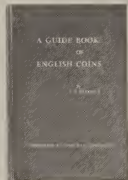
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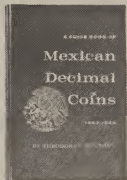
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Half Cents	1909 VDB	50	1897, 98	25	1906-S	11.50	1919-S, 21	11.50
1920	1910-S, 13-S	2.25 <td>1912-S</td> <td>15.00<td>1897-O, 01-S</td><td>8.00<td>1923-S</td><td>15.00</td></td></td>	1912-S	15.00 <td>1897-O, 01-S</td> <td>8.00<td>1923-S</td><td>15.00</td></td>	1897-O, 01-S	8.00 <td>1923-S</td> <td>15.00</td>	1923-S	15.00
1944-1979	1911-D, 12-D	75 <td>Others</td> <td>80<td>1897-S</td><td>2.00<td>1925-DMS</td><td>9.00</td></td></td>	Others	80 <td>1897-S</td> <td>2.00<td>1925-DMS</td><td>9.00</td></td>	1897-S	2.00 <td>1925-DMS</td> <td>9.00</td>	1925-DMS	9.00
Others	1911-S, 12-S	7.00 <td>Aver. Set</td> <td>75.00<td>1898-O&amp;S</td><td>75<td>1937-S, 55-D</td><td>1.00</td></td></td>	Aver. Set	75.00 <td>1898-O&amp;S</td> <td>75<td>1937-S, 55-D</td><td>1.00</td></td>	1898-O&S	75 <td>1937-S, 55-D</td> <td>1.00</td>	1937-S, 55-D	1.00
	1912-S, 14-S	3.50 <td></td> <td></td> <td>1899-O&amp;S</td> <td>75<td></td><td></td></td>			1899-O&S	75 <td></td> <td></td>		
	1913-D, 23-S	30.00 <td></td> <td></td> <td>1900-S</td> <td>50<td></td><td></td></td>			1900-S	50 <td></td> <td></td>		
	1914-S	2.25 <td></td> <td></td> <td>1903-S, 04-S</td> <td>3.00<td></td><td></td></td>			1903-S, 04-S	3.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1931	1915-S	1.25 <td>1913, 14, 15</td> <td>1.25<td>1913-S</td><td>3.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1913, 14, 15	1.25 <td>1913-S</td> <td>3.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1913-S	3.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1932	1916-S	1.25 <td>1913-D</td> <td>1.25<td>1914-S</td><td>3.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1913-D	1.25 <td>1914-S</td> <td>3.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1914-S	3.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1933	1917-S	1.25 <td>1913-S</td> <td>2.00<td>1915-Lib.</td><td>45.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1913-S	2.00 <td>1915-Lib.</td> <td>45.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1915-Lib.	45.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1934	1918-S	1.25 <td>1914-D</td> <td>4.00<td>1916-Lib.</td><td>45.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1914-D	4.00 <td>1916-Lib.</td> <td>45.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1916-Lib.	45.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1935	1919-S	1.25 <td>1915-S</td> <td>4.00<td>1917-D</td><td>5.50<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1915-S	4.00 <td>1917-D</td> <td>5.50<td></td><td></td></td>	1917-D	5.50 <td></td> <td></td>		
1936	1920-S	1.25 <td>1916-D &amp; S</td> <td>1.00<td>1917-S</td><td>5.50<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1916-D & S	1.00 <td>1917-S</td> <td>5.50<td></td><td></td></td>	1917-S	5.50 <td></td> <td></td>		
1937	1921-S	1.25 <td>1917-S</td> <td>1.50<td>1918-S, 31-D</td><td>2.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1917-S	1.50 <td>1918-S, 31-D</td> <td>2.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1918-S, 31-D	2.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1938	1922-S	1.25 <td>1918-S</td> <td>6.00<td>1919-S</td><td>1.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1918-S	6.00 <td>1919-S</td> <td>1.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1919-S	1.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1939	1923-S	1.25 <td>1919-S, 31-S</td> <td>2.00<td>1920-S</td><td>1.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1919-S, 31-S	2.00 <td>1920-S</td> <td>1.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1920-S	1.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1940	1924-S	1.25 <td>1920-S</td> <td>3.00</td> <td>42 over 11</td> <td>42.50<td></td><td></td></td>	1920-S	3.00	42 over 11	42.50 <td></td> <td></td>		
1941	1925-S	1.25 <td>1921-S</td> <td>1.00<td>1871, 38-D</td><td>25<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1921-S	1.00 <td>1871, 38-D</td> <td>25<td></td><td></td></td>	1871, 38-D	25 <td></td> <td></td>		
1942	1926-S	1.25 <td>1922-S</td> <td>1.00<td>1919-S, 55</td><td>25<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1922-S	1.00 <td>1919-S, 55</td> <td>25<td></td><td></td></td>	1919-S, 55	25 <td></td> <td></td>		
1943	1927-S	1.25 <td>1923-S</td> <td>1.00<td>1897-O &amp; S</td><td>7.50<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1923-S	1.00 <td>1897-O &amp; S</td> <td>7.50<td></td><td></td></td>	1897-O & S	7.50 <td></td> <td></td>		
1944	1928-S	1.25 <td>1924-S</td> <td>1.00<td>1901-S, 04-S</td><td>2.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1924-S	1.00 <td>1901-S, 04-S</td> <td>2.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1901-S, 04-S	2.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1945	1929-S	1.25 <td>1925-S</td> <td>1.00<td>1913, 14, 15</td><td>3.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1925-S	1.00 <td>1913, 14, 15</td> <td>3.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1913, 14, 15	3.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1946	1930-S	1.25 <td>1926-S</td> <td>1.00<td>1921, 21-D</td><td>8.50<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1926-S	1.00 <td>1921, 21-D</td> <td>8.50<td></td><td></td></td>	1921, 21-D	8.50 <td></td> <td></td>		
1947	1931-S	1.25 <td>1927-S</td> <td>1.00<td>1938-D</td><td>4.00<td></td><td></td></td></td>	1927-S	1.00 <td>1938-D</td> <td>4.00<td></td><td></td></td>	1938-D	4.00 <td></td> <td></td>		
1948	1932-S	1.25 <td>1928-S</td> <td>1.00<td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></td>	1928-S	1.00 <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>				
1949	1933-S	1.25 <td>1929-S</td> <td>1.00<td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></td>	1929-S	1.00 <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>				
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1951	1935-S	1.25 <td>1931-S</td> <td>1.00<td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></td>	1931-S	1.00 <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>				
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## THE TRITON SHELL

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"sea-shell number" of the National Geographic Magazine of July, 1949.

A classical example of the shell itself may be seen in what is perhaps the world's greatest repository of shells, The British Museum. It is a ceremonial shell taken long ago from the mouth of the Fly River in New Guinea, where it had been in actual use to ward off evil spirits from some native village.

Curious and enterprising collectors today still like to have their specimen in the form of a trumpet.

In fact one ingenious shell collector told me that when he received a shipment of partly broken Tritons he made holes in them to turn them into trumpets.

A trumpet may be made in either of two ways: by making a mouthpiece at the tip, or by cutting a hole in the side of one whorl near the top of the spire. The mellow note that emerges when the shell is blown cannot but gladden the heart of a shell fancier who visions himself as one of a long line of blowers of the conch.

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## GEMS &amp; MINERALS

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at least eight different sections of the globe. A bronze statue of a Chinese in armor is worthy of much appreciation.

The jade room too, has an amazing collection of carvings of jade. The photo shows a double plaque of carved jade from the reign of K'ang Hsi (1662-1722). The stone is very light green and is 6-9/16 inches in diameter.

One side as shown presents rice culture with three figures and working ox. Also vividly engraved are the home, trees, clouds, and rice paddy.

On the reverse side, so skillfully done that holding it up as a transparency gives no distortion of the scene, is an equally well-portrayed scene of silk culture. The effect of two-toned color is given by carved shading. This piece of work surely must have taken the artist almost endless time to produce.

Anyone interested in jade work could very well spend a week studying the displayed items in the jade room. In succeeding articles further descriptions of jade and features of the Seattle Art Museum will be given.

## AT THE SIGN OF THE CREST

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Windsor, Ct. Mrs. Ruth E. Richardson, 868 W. Tenth Ave., Eugene, Ore.

**#2226 HOWERTON, FUGER, Nathan** — Howerton b. 1793 (?) m. Morgan a. Ky. Nancy Vance Puget b. 1791, Va. To Clark Co., Ill. in 1820's. Want ances. of such. Corres. inv. Mrs. Joan Helwig, 696 S. Owen, Chicago, Ill. ul23801

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**#2228 DODD, Want ances.** Aaron Dodd m. to Isabel Cox & bur. Wallhalla, S.C. Issue: Gille m. R. J. Freeman; William R. James Andrew; & Sanford. Corres. inv. Mrs. J. E. Nelson, Jr. Box 8, Cushing, Tex. 75760.

**#2229 HUDGINS, Want ances.** Iverson Delapierre Hudgins b. 1788 (where?) d. Oct. 7, 1904; bur. Hopewell Church, Hall Co., Ga.; m. Emma Jane Simpson & had 11 children. Corres. inv. See #2228.

**#2230 SCOTT, Want mg. data.** Margaret, dau. of J. Allen Scott, b. Feb. 19, 1813 of Mt. Vernon, Ohio; m. (John?) Austin & had son Wm. A. Austin, b. Aug. 20, 1836 Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Bentley & Scott, Corres. inv. Mrs. Milton Arnold, R. 3, Marion, Iowa, 52302.

**#2241 NEWMAN, Want 1812 service** — Asa B. Newman b. June 6, 1791, Burt, N.Y.; d. Mar. 26, 1871 Alexandria, N.Y.; taken prisoner to Tasmania; m. Abby Hall b. Sept. 18, 1798 (where?) d. Mar. 20, 1871 Del. Co., Iowa. Also, want ances. Abraham (Abram) Newman b. Jan. 4, 1759 Stafford, Ct.; d. June 19, 1843 Alexandria, N.Y. Corres. inv. See #2240.

**#2212 LUCORE, Want info.** Lemuel Lucore b. Nov. 8, 1772 Chester, Mass.; m. Rispah, dau. Stephen Hurlbut; to Southampton, Mass. prior to 1810; had 9 children. Corres. inv. See #2240.

**#2243 HURLBUT, Want Rev. service & info.** Stephen, son of John & Mary (Stoddard), b. 1747 N. Groton, Ct.; surveyor on Susquehanna 1770-73; to Southampton, Mass. Md. last Mary Morgan; 2nd Mrs. Allen, dau. Peter & Ann

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# Old Mechanical Banks

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## "STARKIE'S PAT. NO. 152,588" (Moves Ears)

By F. H. GRIFFITH

A mechanical bank which is surrounded with confusion, more so than any other known to the writer, is our choice as No. 119 in the numerical classification. This is the "Jolly Nigger (Moves Ears)," and the writer continually receives letters which practically all contain the same questions regarding what is thought to be this bank. Unfortunately in all cases the questions have not been about this bank, but are in fact about another somewhat recent type with similar appearance and action. It is hoped that information herewith will once and for all clarify this situation.

To begin with, the bank pictured is an original Jolly Nigger (Moves Ears) made in England in the period of the 1920's. On the back between the shoulders in a semi-circular fashion is inscribed "Starkie's Pat. No. 152,588." This patent was issued to Robert Eastwood Starkie of Burnley, England, October 21, 1920. It contains a detailed descriptive text and five diagrams which accurately cover the bank as produced. It is made of aluminum and apparently Starkie never had any of these banks made of cast iron or other metal. The very few originals of this bank that the writer has ever seen over the years have all been aluminum and somewhat crude in their castings as compared to other mechanical banks. This being a little crude in its construction goes along with Starkie's

Tank & Cannon Bank (HOBBIES, April 1959).

The bank pictured is in good condition, particularly so when one considers that the paint was inclined to readily chip from the aluminum surface. Colors are as follows: The jacket is red with a white collar and blue bow tie. There is a white cuff on the sleeve of the right arm and a white band down the front of the jacket with blue buttons thereon. His entire face is black with red lips, red tongue, white teeth and red lines between the teeth. His eyes are white with brown iris and black pupils. The top hat is white with a black band. The entire back half of the bust, excluding the hat, is black (note profile picture). The back of the head has round perforations in the casting arranged in a symmetrical fashion and the base plate has the same type holes or perforations.

To operate the bank a coin is placed in the extended hand as shown. The lever at the rear left shoulder is then pressed. This raises the right hand to the mouth and the coin slides therein, and at the same time the tongue recedes into the mouth, the eyes roll downward, and the ears move back and forward. Releasing the lever returns all parts to their normal position.

Now for the movement to the modern or more recent type of this bank which seems to always be confused with the old original one. On August 27, 1945 in the Register of Designs Division of the Patent Office in England, No. 844,290 was issued to a Robert Patterson Starkie covering a bank of similar design, operation and appearance to the bank pictured. This copyright expired August 27, 1950. In addition to the copyright a

patent was applied for by Starkie December 1, 1945, No. 32,537, and accepted May 4, 1948 under Patent No. 601,362. This bank was also made of aluminum, but considerably lighter in weight than the original type. It was put on the market as the Sonny Boy Bank and in another version as a clown with a peaked hat and called the Clown Money Bank. Thomas Ashworth & Company — trademark "TACO" — of Burnley, England took over the Starkie business and production of these banks in 1952. Prior to this, from 1947 to 1952, Thomas Ashworth supplied the castings for the banks to Starkie.

There are many differences between the old original bank, named "Jolly Nigger" (Moves Ears) and the modern Sonny Boy version. First check the profile photo and note that the ear is located forward near the eye. A V-shaped section in the back half of the casting fits into a V-groove in the front half and holds the ear in this position. In the Sonny Boy type the ear is located in the center where the front and back castings join together. Secondly there is no inscription of any kind on the back of the Sonny Boy. Third, the base plate on this modern bank is of a waffle type (cross bars) with the following inscriptions: "Reg. No. 844,290," "Starkie's Pat. No. 32,537," "Patented In Foreign Countries." In addition the TACO trademark appears thereon. Fourth, the right arm on the Sonny Boy is not raised up from the elbow as on the Jolly Nigger (Moves Ears), (note full view picture). Fifth, the thumb on Sonny Boy's right hand is a separate casting and not an integral part of the entire arm and hand casting as on the original bank. Sixth, the bow tie is considerably larger on the old type and this also applies to the ears. Seventh, the modern type can be operated by moving the ears by hand. This causes the arm to raise and so on. This cannot be done with the old original — moving the ears by hand causes the eyes to move and tongue to recede but the arm will not rise. Eighth, there are no perforations or holes in the back of the head of the modern type. There are various other differences in the castings, but to sum this all up, when the two banks, old and new, are examined together it is very easy to tell them apart. Certainly the information given above will enable collectors as well as dealers to identify an old, original Jolly Nigger (Moves Ears) should they ever run across one.

The bank shown was found some

years ago in Eastern Pennsylvania. As previously mentioned it is in very good condition for this particular bank and it is very difficult to find an original old specimen. As a matter of fact in all the years of collecting the writer has seen less than five of these banks. To further bear out their scarcity every few weeks a letter is received from someone thinking they have an original Jolly Nigger (Moves Ears). In all cases to date, and this covers a considerable number of letters, none of them have had an old original, all have been the recent Sonny Boy.

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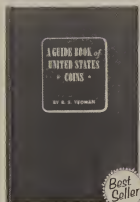
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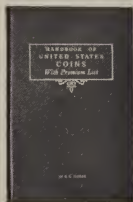


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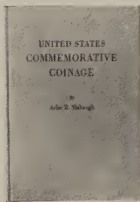


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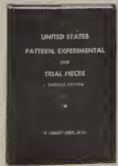
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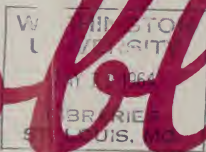
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# Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH



## The Magician Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH

A magician performing his feats of magic is one form of entertainment with universal appeal, intriguing both young and old alike. The magician seems to maintain and occupy a somewhat unique position as a performer and in turn his counterpart or representation in a mechanical bank can be said to occupy a unique position among the mechanical banks. While there are a certain number of the mechanicals that have to do with magic in one form or another, there are none that more accurately depict the magician than the Magician Bank itself, our choice as No. 120 in the numerical classification. Very frankly this bank has always been one of the writer's favorites — it has good interesting action, an attractive appearance, a coin is a necessary part of the action, and it is a well proportioned piece. Then, of course, the subject matter, magic, very definitely adds to its desirability.

The bank was patented January 22, 1901, by William C. Bull of Philadelphia, Pa., assignor to Abraham L. Kesner, also of Philadelphia. This, like a number of the mechanicals, was patented as a "money box," and the papers contain two drawings of the bank. In this case the bank as actually produced is considerably different than the original patent drawings. For example, the overall appearance and configuration of the actual bank, plus much of the mechanism, is quite unlike the drawings. The figure of the magician, the table, and general principle of operation are, however, somewhat similar. This is not an unusual circumstance as many of the mechanical banks are at variance with their respective patent papers. There were numbers of reasons for these changes, including a better operating bank, a more attractive item, more efficient operating mechanism, problems of casting parts, ease of assembly, and so on. In the specific case of the Magician Bank there is no question but that the changes made from the patent drawings resulted in a more attractive bank with better operation. It was manufactured by the J. & E. Stevens Company of Cromwell, Conn., and pictured in

their catalog for 1906, but does not appear in the 1911 issue or any of their catalogs after that year.

The bank shown is in fine original condition with good paint. The back and front of the platform, which has steps on each side, are blue with yellow edgings. The name "Magician Bank" is in black. The steps and floor of the platform are a yellow-orange color. It is possible that this section may have originally had a pink or red tinted flocking thereon to represent a rug. The writer has seen an example of this bank with a light coating of grey flocking over the steps and floor of the platform and there is no question in his mind but that it was originally made in this fashion. This does not preclude the possibility, however, that numbers of the Magician Banks were originally produced with this same section simply painted and no flocking applied. The table is red with gold edging on the legs. The magician's outfit, including his hat, is black with a white shirt front and black bow tie. His hands and face are flesh color and his eyes, eyebrows, goatee, and elegant turned-up mustache are all black, as is his hair. A defined part of the casting of the hat is outlined in gold to represent a wand held in the right hand of the magician.

The bank operates as follows: A coin is placed on the provided section in the center of the table (note picture). The lever is then depressed. The magician lowers his hat covering the coin on the table and at the same time his head tilts forward as though observing his own actions. Upon releasing the lever the parts automatically return to the position as shown in the picture and the coin has disappeared. The magician, of

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		1915, 15-D	1911-D	1912	1912-S
		1921-S, 24-S	1912-D	1913	1913-S
		1922-D	1913-S	1914	1914-S
		1924-D	1914-S	1915	1915-S
		1926-D	1915-D & S	1916	1916-S
		1931-D	1916-S	1917	1917-S
		1932, 1933	1917-S	1918	1918-S
		1932-D	1918-S	1919	1919-S
		1933-D	1919-S	1920	1920-S
		1934-D	1920-S	1921	1921-S
		1935-D	1921-S	1922	1922-S
		1936-D	1922-S	1923	1923-S
		1937-D	1923-S	1924	1924-S
		1938-D	1924-S	1925	1925-S
		1939-D	1925-S	1926	1926-S
		1940-D	1926-S	1927	1927-S
		1941-D	1927-S	1928	1928-S
		1942-D	1928-S	1929	1929-S
		1943-D	1929-S	1930	1930-S
		1944-D	1930-S	1931	1931-S
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		1946-D	1932-S	1933	1933-S
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		2028-S	2014-S	2015	2015-S
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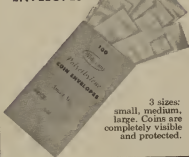
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## HOW TO SHIP MONEY

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press is the best. In addition to packing as recommended, these "money" packages should also be sealed with sealing wax.

It is important that the parcel be classed in the proper manner by the express company, for some money shipping rates they have are prohibitively high. Be sure your shipment is in the lowest "coin" rate they can give you.

Foreign shipments should be made by registered mail only. They will most likely have to be insured through your own insurance agent. They must also be listed for Customs, the best description being "Numismatic Material."

Many collectors and non-collectors are afraid to send coins through the mail. This is in error, for all shipments, whether parcel post, or registered, are insurable, and there is adequate protection for your coins.

We have sent out thousands of parcels through the Post Office Department and losses have been so small as to be insignificant. When we have had losses, whether through damage or loss, they have been paid in a reasonable length of time.

Most important is that the package be packed well, addressed correctly, and with return address plain. Small corrugated cardboard boxes are best for novice shippers.

Many use cigar boxes, but these are too brittle and do not stand up well. I have seen many shipments arrive in cigar boxes with the whole box broken open.

When shipping coins to a dealer, one should enclose with the shipment a check list of what it contains. Another check list should be sent to the dealer under separate cover. This procedure advises him of the shipment, and enables him to check the contents against your list.

Under no circumstances send coins to a dealer without first writing him

# COIN QUIZ

By CHARLES FRENCH

**25c PER LETTER for answering coin questions. Send pencil rubbings. Do not send us the coins.**

**Question:**

From the enclosed pencil rubbings of this advertisement coin can you tell me something about the background of this "United Stand Divided We Fall" coin? To whom were these issued and were they redeemable or of value. I found this coin at a Civil War camping ground.

—D. W. B., Louisiana

**Answer:**

You have a Civil War token of which many thousands were made.

and requesting his permission to do so. Unsolicited shipments are disliked by all.

Paper money should be shipped in a standard, large-sized envelope of heavy kraft paper. It is advisable to insert a piece of cardboard with the notes to insure them arriving without being bent or folded.

Uncut sheets of paper money should never be folded. They should be sent in cardboard mailing tubes.

If you adopt these practices, you will have very little trouble with your shipments.

This one currently retails at 65 cents.

C. F., New York

**Question:**

Could you please inform me as to the value of the coins, pencil rubbings of which I am enclosing. They are as follows: one Tolt (12) Skilling 1711, one XVI (16) Skilling 1717, one 24 Skilling 1733, one 2 Skilling 1757, one ½ Skilling 1771, and one 10 Skilling 1787. They are all Danish and are all in from good to fine condition except the 1787 10 Skilling which might be considered in from fair to almost good condition.

—D. K., Minnesota

**Answer:**

Danish coins such as you have are currently bringing from 50 cents to \$1 each in condition listed.

C. F., New York

**Question:**

I have in my possession an 1865 2-cent piece. On the reverse side of this coin the letters ER are connected in the word America. I also have a 1955-P Lincoln cent with a ribbon in "Abe's" hair. I would appreciate very much any information concerning these errors.

—T. B., Pennsylvania

**Answer:**

These small errors are caused by die breaks or the die designs becoming filled up. They are not of any particular value.

—C. F., New York

## 1864 STATE OF NEVADA 1964

This year is Nevada's centennial year of statehood. It became the 36th state to join the Union in 1864.

At a formal luncheon held April 4 at the Sahara Hotel in Las Vegas a giant photograph of the silver centennial medallion was unveiled by Miss Eva B. Adams, director of the United States Mint. The medallion features symbols of Nevada history on the obverse side and the statue of mining pioneer John William Mackay on the reverse. Congress has approved an issue of 20,000 of the medallions.

Others participating in the event were Governor Grant Sawyer, Representative Walter S. Baring and Senators Alan Bible and Howard Cannon.



Above: Shown on the medallion are the statue of mining pioneer John William Mackay on the reverse. On the obverse are featured the Hoover Dam and other symbols of Nevada history.

Left: Pictured here in front of the large photograph of the Nevada Centennial medallion are from left to right: Governor Grant Sawyer, Miss Eva B. Adams, director of the United States Mint, and Senator Howard Cannon.



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## MART — WANTED

**WANTED:** Old, unusual and foreign playing cards. Describe, price. — E. M. Salomonson, 6732 Newgard, Chicago, 26, Ill. ap128501

**RADIO EQUIPMENT** before 1925, amateur and broadcast. — Wayne Nelson, Concord, N. C. my12698

**WANTED:** Old U.S. coins. Highest prices paid. — Nelson, Box 346-H, Rye, N. Y. o12857

**HORATIO ALGER** books always wanted. When offering, please indicate title and publisher's name. Enclose stamp for reply. Send 16c stamps for new list of rarest Algiers. — R. Gardner, 136 Central Park West, New York 23, N.Y. n126332

**WANTED AT ALL TIMES.** Letters and documents of famous Americans. Always interested in Presidents' letters and documents, especially Abraham Lincoln. Highest prices paid. — King Y. Hostick, 55 E. Washington, Chicago, Ill. t1x

**WANTED:** JOHN ROGERS GROUPS, also Civil War relics, give price and condition. — W. Chas. Daugherty, 148 S. Darlington, Tulsa 32, Okla. au124431

**PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN ITEMS** from buttons to torch lights. — Chick Harris, 8223 Mardell, St. Louis 9, Mo. au3652

**ELECTRIC FANS** prior 1915. Give diameter blades, name plate reading if oscillating, price. — D. C. Adair, 30 East Roanoke Ave., Phoenix 4, Ariz. j122741

**WANTED:** Stamped, old letters; stamped, postmarked envelopes (covers) Union, Confederate, Western States and Territorial letters, covers and memorabilia; autographs; documents; photographs; curios; political and pictorial items; cards; other Americana. Especially desire large family accumulations before 1880. Describe and price. — John W. Stine, 515 Eiste St., Edwardsville, Ill. au4051

**WANTED:** Dolly Dingle paper dolls. Pictorial Review 1913 to 1917; Maude Humphrey pictures, Kewpie cards. — Gladys Hollander, 3828 Albermar Ave., Long Beach, Calif. j1y3653

**LINCOLN PRINTINGS:** Anything pertaining to contemporary printings of Abraham Lincoln. Must have been published during his lifetime. Especially interested in broadside printings about him. Please describe fully and price before sending. — King Hostick, 55 E. Washington, Chicago 2, Ill. t1x

**NEW YORK World's Fairs 1939-40, 1964-65.** Literature, pictures, souvenirs. — Edward Orth, 1436 Killarney, Los Angeles 65, Calif. o6445

**PRIVATE COLLECTOR** buys, trades old railroad stock, bond certificates. — Robert Greenwalt, 6343 Rosemead Blvd., Rosemead, Calif. j1y24201

**OLD ADVERTISING CARDS,** scrap books (no clippings), presidential campaign items, old newspapers, offerings of general paper Americana. — Lyon Hobby Mart, Box 63, Hartford, Conn. j1y3

**SHIP MODELS,** ship paintings, nautical items. Pay highest prices from collectors or dealers. — Barry Hoffman, 655 Boylston St., Boston, Mass. rh12921

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**WANTED:** Lion coffee toy sets, Brownies and all advertising paper dolls and toys. — Connecticut Antiques, Portret Center, Conn. au3882

**Wanted:** Any historical material relating to any Western State, Hawaii, or Alaska. Books, broadsides, letters, diaries, business ledgers, early newspapers, advertisements, prints, paintings, anything else. Send for Want List. — Argonaut, 338 Kearney St., San Francisco, Calif. au126543

**Want old time movies, posters, antique movie cameras and projectors, coin operated peep show machines. — Antique Movie Museum, Jack McGowan, Box 267, Crystal River, Fla. au3006**

**Handcuffs, leg irons, shackles, locks, keys, spurs, antique and modern firearms, ammunition, powder cans and kegs, old wide gauge electric trains. Also collections of books, pamphlets, paintings, sculpture. — Roshon, 388 1st Ave., Phoenixville, Pa. o124281**

**See Our Display Ad for stamps, old letters wanted on page 99. — Herman Herst, Jr., Shrub Oak, N.Y. mhl24281**

**HAND-WRITTEN** journals, diaries, letters, documents, deeds wanted, top offers made, need books, pamphlets about slavery,aviation, Tom Thumb, Barnum, Indians, Western Southern travels, narratives, biographies, also bound volumes sheet music. — John Skutel, Box 265, Southport, Conn. au6811

**ADVERTISING WATCH FOBs** wanted by collector. Cash. — Larry Yartz, Route 1, West Sunbury, Pa. j1y3423

**NETSKE WANTED:** Must be fine, old, unusual subject. — The Davidson, 4014 Stratford Ave., Melrose Park, Philadelphia, Pa. 19126. j6023

**DEALER** wants wholesale antique supplier who brings goods to Houston, Tex. — Box S.H.F., c/o HOBBIES, 1066 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago 6, Ill. j60973

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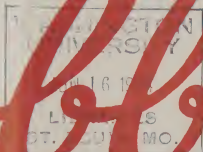
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# Old Mechanical Banks

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## Mason Bank

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It bears mentioning that we have reached a point in the classification articles where a number of the mechanical banks are in the same area of desirability, value, and so on. That is to say they all have about the same rating and placing one ahead of another can be somewhat a matter of personal choice. This would apply to several already covered, the present article, and a number to be covered in future articles. Those we have done so far that are in the same level or rating category are the Magician Bank (June, 1964), Boy Scout Bank (April, 1964), Leap Frog Bank (March, 1964), Jonah & The Whale (February, 1964), Zoo Bank (November, 1963), and several others.

Most of the banks in this same rating level are quite interesting, appealing, and have good action. This, of course, led to their popularity in their respective periods, and thus quantities of each were made and sold. So, while these banks are more or less common as compared to those in the first 100 mechanical banks (HOBBIES, February, 1962), actually they are among the most interesting and desirable of the mechanicals from the standpoint of good action, popular appeal, and so on. By the way, describing these banks at this level as being common is not meant to convey the impression that they are readily available. Such banks as the Boy Scout Camp, Jonah & The Whale, and others in this area are not easy to come by, particularly so in good original condition with no missing parts or repairs. Some of the other mechanicals in this same rating group to be covered by future articles are Cat & Mouse, Mammy & Child, Bill E. Grin, Boys Stealing Watermelons, Clown On Globe, Monkey With Tray, a number of others, and now at present the Mason Bank, our choice as No. 121 in the numerical classification. This is a good action bank with good subject matter and an attractive appearance.

The Mason Bank shown is from the fine collection of Leon Perlman of Merion, Pa. He obtained it from an Eastern antique dealer and it is in good original condition. The bank was patented under a design patent February 8, 1837 by Charles G. Shepard and Peter Adams of Buffalo, N. Y. The design patent states "said Adams assignor to Walter J. Shepard of same place." The bank was manufactured by the Shepard Hardware Company, also of Buffalo. It is one of their "Excelsior Series," and the bank itself bears this inscription on the underside of the base plate. The drawing which is part of the design patent is practically identical to the bank as produced by Shepard Hardware, even to the details of the facial characteristics of the two figures. Actually about the only difference is the fact that the name "Mason Bank" does not appear on the sketch or drawing.

As mentioned, the bank is a very attractive item and painted in realistic colors. The brickwork which represents a wall or portion of an unfinished building is red with mortar spaces in white. This rests on a block-like section or base which is blue-grey. The overall base surface of the bank is tan and the bucket setting thereon is yellow with black bands and handle. The mortar receptacle resting on the base is brown and the mortar mix therein is light grey. The hoe in the mortar mix is black with a brown handle. The angled sides or edges of the base are maroon with black and gold striping. The figure of the hod carrier has black shoes, blue trousers, green suspenders, red shirt, and a grey hat with a green band. His face and arms are flesh pink and, as with all the Shepard produced banks, the facial work is very well done with well defined eyes, eyebrows, and so on. The hod over his right shoulder is tan and brown with grey mortar. The figure behind the wall laying the brick has a blue jacket and white shirt. His hat is brown and yellow, the trowel is brown and again holding grey mortar. Face and arms are the same color as those of the hod carrier and the facial work is excellent with a fine, large black moustache. The back of the building or wall section is maroon with a grey top. On the square shaped end of this section appears the name "Mason Bank" in large gold block letters. This name is repeated on the base in front of the mortar receptacle in smaller block letters, also in gold. The many different colors used make it quite a colorful bank.

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In the HOBBIES for July, 1963, you had an article on *Small Change in Gold*, you talked about a coin or token for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition for 1904. Enclosed is a pencil rubbing of a coin or token I have. Would this be the same as you described? What is it made of? It is the color of copper. I would like to know what it is, the value, and if it is collected.

—Mrs. H. T., New York

## Answer:

The Louisiana small gold coins are very tiny, about a quarter the size of a dime. Yours is a medal of the St. Louis Exposition in 1904 struck in copper and currently retailing for around \$2.50.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

What is the value of a paper-maché bust of Lincoln approximately 6½ inches high and 4 inches wide? I have yet to find any mention of it anywhere. The following is printed on the back:

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## Answer:

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—C. F., New York

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## Question:

In the January, 1960, issue of HOBBIES Magazine you advised keeping any Buffalo nickels, particularly from branch mints. How can one tell when a coin is from a branch mint?

I have a Buffalo nickel dated 1919 and directly under the last 9 is an "F." I could not read the "F" clearly until I got the magnifying glass and then it was quite visible. What is its value?

I also have a 1921 silver dollar with an "S" on the eagle side and Liberty on the other side. Is this coin of value, and how much?

—M. S., Iowa

## Answer:

The F on the Buffalo nickel is the engraver's initial, his name is James E. Fraser. The mint marks are found under "Five Cents" on the reverse of the coin. In ordinary used condition the nickel and the dollar you mention are worth only face value.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

I would appreciate the approximate price on the following coin in Very Fine condition. Identified in Wayne Raymond's Coins 19th Century: "Fukien For Taiwan (Formosa) Dollar. No date (1837) God of Longevity. Chinese inscription of four Manchu characters, sacrificial vessel—rare." Coin is counterstamped.

—Miss N. H., Florida

## Answer:

According to E. Kann on Chinese coins, your coin should be valued at between \$50 to \$100 depending upon condition.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

What is the value of a State of Alabama \$100 Confederate Treasury Note dated 1st January, 1864, at Montgomery #834 and signed by W. J. Greene Comptroller and D. B. Graham Treasurer. Engraved by W. Keenan & Co., Lithographed and Printed by J. T. Paterson & Co., Augusta, Ga.

This bill apparently has been buried some time yet is in good condition except for some browning along the edges. It has been folded and the crease marks are evident. The engraving is clear and the bill is reasonably crisp.

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—Mrs. E. Y. C., Tennessee

**Answer:**

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—C. F., New York

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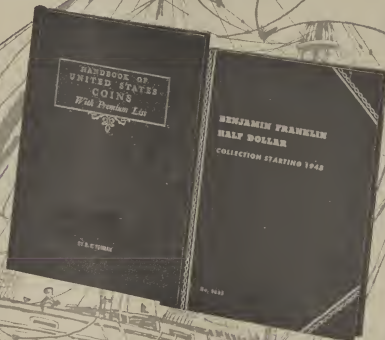
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# Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

## Two New Discoveries

By F. H. GRIFFITH

The formulation of a collection of mechanical banks is a fascinating hobby which offers, among many other things, a sustained seemingly never ending interest. This interest is stimulated by the fact, unlike many other collectible items, every now and then some heretofore unknown specimen turns up. For some years now this has been going on, since mechanical banks were first collected through the years to date, and all evidence points to the fact that this will continue to be the case for years to come. A never ending challenge exists for the individual bank collector to own an example of each bank ever made, but this is practically an impossibility for any one person to ever accomplish. In a number of cases only one or two specimens of a certain mechanical bank are known to exist, however, there is always the chance and hope that more will turn up.

In any event, at present the writer is most pleased to pass along the unique news of the discovery of two previously unknown mechanical banks. There is no question of them being commercially produced items

and therefore made in some quantities. Both banks are tin, one was known to have been manufactured due to old catalog information in the writer's possession, and the other was completely unknown to the best of the writer's knowledge.

### Negro Bust (Tin)

This bank could be said appearance-wise to represent in miniature the Hindu (HOBBIES, February 1955) except, of course, that it is the representation of a Negro. As can be judged from the picture, Figure 1, it is obvious as to its small size when compared to the penny shown beside the bank. Originally it was a brightly colored item with various colors including red, blue, and yellow, however, the one pictured is somewhat the worse for wear with some rusting evident. The operation is simple, a coin dropped in the provided slot in top of the turban causes the eyes to roll and the tongue to stick out. The weight of the coin causes the action and the parts return to their respective positions automatically. This bank is pictured in the Butler Bros. catalog

circa 1907 and was listed to sell at 33 cents per dozen. It is a somewhat fragile item of rather light tin and obviously could not stand any degree of rough usage. Its size plus its lack of durability most likely accounts for the fact of its scarcity today. In the writer's opinion the bank was made in Germany.

### The Sentry Bank (Tin)

Through the courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. William Werbell the writer is able to pass along information on the Sentry Bank. They were kind enough to send it to the writer so that he could look the bank over, photograph it, and so on. It is a very nice bank, attractive appearance, and has good action. It is of German manufacture and very similar to the Minstrel (Tin) and the Scotchman (Tin). As a matter of fact, in the writer's opinion, all three were made by the same concern.

The bank is lithographed tin in various colors of brown, red, blue, and so on. Note Figure 2 which shows the bank before the action takes place. Depressing the knob as



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3

in Figure 3 causes the Sentry to move the gun into the position shown and his eyes look to his right. In so doing the coin slot in his hat is opened from the inside so that coins may be inserted. Releasing the lever returns all parts to the positions as in Figure 2, including the fact that the coin slot is blocked from the inside. In other words, the bank must be operated in order to insert any coins. The specimen shown is in very good condition and the Werbells are to be congratulated on their recent new find.

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# Numismatics

Conducted by **CHARLES FRENCH**

## MEDALS AND SO-CALLED DOLLARS

By **CHARLES FRENCH**

In my "Coin Quiz," Question and Answer column, I frequently get inquiries on medals and so-called dollars. These are interesting numismatic items that do not appear in the regular coin books giving values of United States coins.

There is a new publication out on these. It is "So-Called Dollars," by Hibler and Kappen, Coin and Currency Institute Publishers. Price \$12.50. It is very thorough in listing and illustrating these pieces. Estimated prices are also given therein, but are high and out of bounds related to current selling prices.

So-called dollars are not coins, but medals designed to commemorate occasions of the past. We find that they commemorate exhibitions, World Fairs, political differences, in fact, a very wide sphere of different events.

Many of these medals are rare, others quite common. Many are found among our families' memoirs and relics of past travels, and arouse one's curiosity to find out what they are.

Outstanding pieces I have inquiries about are the "Nevada Dollar," a silver medal the size of a dollar commemorating the 1876 Centennial Exposition, and the 1901 Pan-American Exposition, official medals, struck in silver, copper, and brass, the brass being the commonest.

The official souvenir medals of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition of 1904 at St. Louis, Mo., were issued in silver, gold-plated bronze, copper, bronze and gilt. The latter were the commonest.

The Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition 1905, Portland, Ore., has a popular series known as the Government Building dollars. These, too, were struck in bronze, gilt and silver, the silver being the scarcest.

The official medal for the Jamestown tercentennial exposition of 1907 Norfolk Co., Va., has upon its ob-

verse an Indian girl, Pocahontas, and a sailing ship on the reverse. This, too, was issued in silver, silver-plated bronze, bronze and gilt.

For the Hudson Fulton Celebration of 1909, the attractive Hendrik Hudson dollar was struck in silver, aluminum, gold (small size), and bronze.

The Panama Pacific International Exposition of 1915 had a very attractive official medal in silver, bronze and gilt.

In 1920, during the official opening of the Manila Mint in the Philippines, the well-known "Wilson" dollar was struck in silver and in bronze. These are quite scarce and in good demand, particularly in silver.

Recently, a quantity of these were brought up from the bottom of Manila Bay, where they apparently had been dumped during the Japanese invasion of the Philippines. Having been exposed to salt water for such a long time, they were very badly corroded.

In addition to the silver and bronze pieces, five of the Wilson dollars were struck in gold. There are but two of these now in existence.

Perhaps one of the most interesting series are, the Bryan dollars struck by various concerns and political factions during the upheaval caused by the Panic of 1893 and the Free Silver battles that raged from then on for many years.

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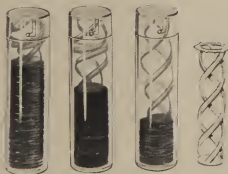
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## FIREARMS

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with Krag since late 1895, the National Guard was equipped with a variety of single-shot arms, primarily the .45-70 Springfield "trap-door" model, firing a black powder cartridge.

Against the Mauser-armed Spanish forces in Cuba, the Krag quickly gained a reputation for reliability.

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Meanwhile, yellow fever, malaria, and typhoid fever were killing more American soldiers than were Mausers.

While fighting in Cuba and Puerto Rico lasted only a few weeks, hostilities in the Philippine Islands against a variety of groups were to drag on until well into the 20th century.

Following the surrender of Spanish forces in the Islands, relations between the Americans and the newly freed Philippine Republic rapidly deteriorated. The situation climaxed in February 1899, when insurgent Filipino forces under Aguinaldo turned their captured Mausers on United States volunteer troops. Once again the crack of Mausers blended with the sounds of Krag and .45-70's.

Issues of Krag rifles to National Guard units had begun in August 1898, with the new rifles being issued as rapidly as production would permit. During the initial stages of the Philippine insurrection, however, United States volunteers were forced to rely on their single-shot Springfield with which they were still armed. A subsequent rise in morale naturally accompanied receipt of the .30-40 magazine rifles.

Krag rifles were carried to the Asian mainland in 1899, when several Krag-armed United States infantry regiments were transferred from the Philippines and sent to China to assist British, French, and Russian troops in quelling the Boxer rebellion.

Military operations ceased with the capture of Peking, made possible when two companies of the 14th U.S. Infantry scaled the Tartar Wall to provide covering fire with their Krag for British troops entering the city on August 14, 1899.

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# Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

## Mammy and Child Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH

A mechanical bank with two coin slots that receive coins in a different fashion, simultaneously, or individually, is our choice as No. 22 in the numerical classification of mechanical banks. The Mammy & Child is the bank with this unusual feature and it is a very attractive well made item with excellent realistic action. Here again is another bank that is among the writer's favorites. The theme and idea of the action is quite original, with the coin in one case representing either food or medicine being given to the baby. In addition to the unique feature of the two coin slots the subject matter of the bank is also unique among the mechanicals.

The Mammy & Child was patented October 21, 1884 by Alfred C. Rex of Philadelphia, Pa., and manufactured by Alfred C. Rex & Company. The patent papers and accompanying drawing are of noteworthy interest. The two drawings, for example, are practically identical to the bank as produced except for one unusual feature. The bank as manufactured is in complete reverse to the original patent sketches. As example, in the drawings the Mammy holds the child's head in her right hand and the spoon in her left hand. The operating lever is on the left side instead of the right, and so on. This is one of the only cases the writer knows of whereby a mechanical bank was made with parts transposed to the positions as shown on the original patent drawings. The

patent was issued to Rex as a "Toy Money-Box," and is referred to in the papers in several places as a "Mechanical Toy Money-Box." Attention is called to the fact that the child's large wide mouth serves as one of the coin slots and that this is "capable of receiving a five cent piece." Then it is pointed out that the slot in the apron pocket can be used for larger size coins and that the mechanism operates in either case. In other words, no coins can enter the bank through the apron pocket slot without working the operating lever which, of course, causes all parts to function, including the inside mechanism of the pocket slot. This allows the coin to drop in automatically. The patent papers go on to state that the pocket slot is of "sufficient width to take in a quarter of a dollar." Actually it will accommodate a half dollar as shown in the picture. Apparently this change was made in the production bank as an improvement since the mouth of the baby will take no coins larger than the five cent piece as stated in the patent. Thus quarters as well as half dollars work nicely in the pocket section.

The bank shown is in unusually fine all original condition and formerly resided in the collection of the late Dr. Arthur E. Corby. The spoon is complete and all original. This is quite unusual as most specimens of this bank turn up with the spoon completely gone or at best with the handle part there but the bowl missing. Apparently children were prone to play with the spoon part, and since this is not cast iron but rather a piece of formed sheet metal it was subject to being bent and thus eventually breaking off. The spoon was cast into the right hand part in such fashion that the thumb and index finger meet on the top surface of the handle and thus actually give the appearance that the spoon is being held and gripped by the thumb and fingers. This is a well made part but it could not stand any great degree of rough treatment, and it is quite exceptional to possess one of these banks with the complete spoon intact.

Along with the fact of the pictured bank being all complete and original is the further point of the paint being in extremely fine condition. It is painted in bright attractive colors. The face and hands of the Negro Mammy are a dark brown, she has white eyes with black pupils, a red mouth and white teeth. The red scarf on her head and the one around her neck have yellow polka dots thereon. She wears a dark blue dress with black shoes. The cuffs of the sleeves of her dress are yellow with red polka dots. Her apron is white with red trim at the top, bottom, sides and along the top pocket edge. The baby rests on a large red pillow with yellow polka dots. The baby's face, hands, feet and legs are a lighter brown than the Mammy's. She has white eyes with black pupils and red lips. Her dress is yellow with white trim at the bottom. The hood covering the baby's head is white. The Negro Mammy is sitting on a red seat and both the operating lever and the spoon are gold.

To operate the bank a coin is placed on the spoon as shown in the picture. Another larger coin can be placed in the pocket as also shown in the picture. The operating lever (not shown in the picture) is then pressed downward. This is done more or less slowly and carefully, unlike most of the banks, so that the coin on the spoon is caused to slide properly into the mouth of the baby. When the lever is depressed the Mammy lowers her head as though watching what she is doing. At the same time she turns her right hand lowering the spoon to the open mouth of the baby so that the tip of the spoon touches the lower lip of the baby. The coin slides into the baby's mouth and on into the bank. In conjunction with this action the legs of the baby rise upward and the coin in the apron pocket drops auto-

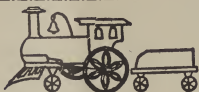




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There were no coins struck for this Fair, and only a limited number of medals. The official medal, a beautiful piece having on its obverse a standing Indian figure, the reverse bearing a map of North and South America, was issued in silver, copper, and brass. There was also issued a "Buffalo" dollar, with a rather crude buffalo on its obverse.

The Assassination dollar, has, on its obverse, a bust of McKinley; and on its reverse the Temple of Music where President McKinley was shot.

The Louisiana Purchase Exposition of 1904 at St. Louis, Mo., was undoubtedly influenced by the Chicago World's Fair Exposition's success with the Columbian half dollars. For the 1904 Exposition struck two varieties of gold dollars, dated 1903, to commemorate the Louisiana Purchase.

The reverse of the coins is identical. But one variety has the bust of Thomas Jefferson, the instigator of the Purchase. The other has that of William McKinley, who, although assassinated, had been expected to be President at that time. These dollars were issued in limited quantities and are rare, only 17,500 of each being coined.

The official souvenir medal has on its obverse the conjoined busts of Napoleon and Jefferson. The reverse has a map of the United States showing the extent of the Purchase. These medals were struck in gold-plated bronze, silver, copper, yellow bronze, bronze, and gilt.

President Roosevelt appears on the so-called Roosevelt dollar, which has on its reverse the Hall of Festivals.

Other medals were two unofficial admission medals, round and octagonal, seven Exhibition Palace medals, a Peace medal, souvenir good luck dollars, and the Saint Louis, Mo., dollar.

These Fairs, not nearly as large as the World's Fair, were well attended.

The following year, 1905, saw the start of the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition of Portland, Ore. Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the exploration of the Louisiana Territory and Oregon Country.

Commemorative gold dollars were issued for 1904 and 1905. Designed by C. E. Barber, who designed the Liberty Head coins of 1892, they have on one side the head of Lewis, on the other side, Clark. Slightly over 10,000 of each of these were struck. They are very rare.

The official medal has a female and two male figures advancing toward the sun, the reverse has a map of the Pacific Coast from Canada to the middle of California. It was struck in silver, gold-plated bronze, and bronze.

More frequently found are the United States Government Building dollars. These have on the obverse conjoined heads of Lewis and Clark in pioneer dress; on the reverse, the Exhibition Building. These were struck in silver, bronze, and gilt bronze, with and without reeded edge.

There were many minor fairs after 1905, none of which issued any commemorative coins. They did, however, put out limited quantities of so-called dollars.

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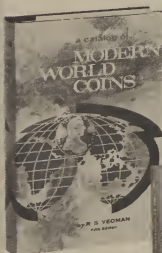
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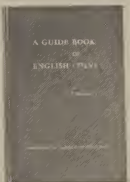
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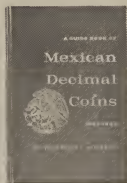
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# Old Mechanical Banks

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## Bill E. Grin

By F. H. GRIFFITH

A rather late mechanical bank which is another of the writer's favorites is our choice as No. 123 in the numerical classification. This is the Bill E. Grin, an exceptionally nice little bank, unusual in appearance, and the action necessitates the use of a coin. The bank fits into two groups; the bust group, and since it represents a clown it can also be classed in with the circus type banks.

This particular bank intrigued the writer for years insofar as trying to find one in all original condition with better than good paint. In the first place it is somewhat difficult to find an original Bill E. Grin since it was a late bank and apparently never made in any great quantities. Being a late item and made after the popularity of the mechanicals was more or less over, it was therefore not made over a long period of time, unlike many of the other banks. Then some years ago a party in New Jersey made a number of reproductions of the bank, and while these are still around and have fooled a few dealers and collectors alike, they are not difficult to judge for what they are—recasts. The original bank has a fine smooth surface inside and out for one thing, and the recasts are rather rough and poorly painted. They are in fact painted to look old and this is rather obvious in itself. The paint work, in addition to being rather crude, is considerably off in colors, apparently to give an aged effect. They are a yellow-brown color, while the originals are white. This leads to another reason for the difficulty in obtaining a nice original Bill E. Grin. When they were manufactured only a light coat of white paint was used over the entire bank, and all that were made were painted in this fashion. This paint was not durable, chipped and scratched rather easily and could not stand much wear. Then too this was the type bank that lent itself to possible rough usage such as the Hindu (HOBBIES, February, 1955) by being tossed around in toy boxes, and so on.

"The Bill E. Grin was patented July 27, 1915 by J. W. Schmitt of New York City and manufactured by the J. & E. Stevens Company of Cromwell, Conn. The bank was made exactly the same as the five drawings that are part of the patent papers. Several points of interest in connection with this bank are here-



with quoted from the text of the patent papers:

"My invention relates to toy banks of the type to which my invention relates, the object sought to be attained is the encouragement of the habit of saving in the young by providing a bank structure, the operation of which, upon the insertion of a coin therein, will be amusing or grotesque.

"A bank made in accordance with my invention embodies a casing so constructed as to simulate the head and shoulders of a human being, and having mounted therein a simple mechanism which will,

when a coin is deposited in the bank, be so actuated as to simultaneously change the expression of the eyes and project the tongue in a manner to amuse and to arouse the interest of the user.

The arrangement of the mechanism is such that the effect produced will vary in accordance with the sizes of different coins deposited. The mechanism for actuating the tongue and eyes is simple in design, may be readily assembled in the bank casing, and, in addition to securing the effect of a change in facial expression of the casing, will protect the coin slot and the mouth opening in a manner to prevent the removal of coins from the bank therethrough. The various parts are overbalanced in such a way as to dispense with the use of springs and hence the mechanism cannot be so disarranged as to clog the coin slot or permit the coin to be withdrawn there-through."

The bank pictured is in exceptionally fine original condition and the best specimen of this bank the writer has ever seen. Colors are fine and bright and it is painted, as are all other originals known, as follows: The overall bank is white in a sort of cream tinge. The eyebrows, two marks between the brows, the eyes, and the name Bill E. Grin are all done in black. The lines beside each of his eyes are red as are the two v-shaped marks on each cheek. His tongue and lips are also red. There is a black line around his collar and a black button above the name. On the back of the bank appears the wording "Pat. App'd. For." In the base of the bank is the conventional round Stevens coin trap.

To operate the bank a coin is placed in the slot as shown in the picture. Pushing the coin into the slot causes the eyes to give the effect of blinking and the tongue protrudes from the mouth. Parts return automatically to the position shown after the coin drops inside.

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Those were the Victorian days of fine horses and carriages, bustled skirts, and huge feminine hats. Occasionally, a lone one- or two-lunger "horseless" carriage was seen thundering and exploding down a country lane, scaring most people and animals.

The Fair, sponsored by the Federal Government under the Congressional Act of 1890, was to be, and indeed turned out to be, the largest, most modern Fair ever conducted.

At a total cost of around 20,000,000 dollars, partly financed through Federal grant, a Chicago bond issue, and public subscription, the Columbian Exposition was attended by around 27,500,000 people from May 1st, 1892, through November 2, 1893.

There were 12 major exhibition palaces and around 200 other buildings of interest. It was said there were 250 acres under roofs. Electricity, in its infancy, was the featured item, the Fair being widely illuminated in this manner.

This Fair was the instigator of our first Commemorative coins. In 1892 there were 950,000 Columbian half dollars distributed. Their popularity caused additional halves to be struck in 1893 when over a 1,500,000 were sold.

Unique in the annals of American Numismatics, a foreign ruler first appeared in the Columbian Isabella quarter issued by the Board of Lady Managers of the Columbian Exposition. These, struck in limited quantity, depicted the crowned bust of Queen Isabella of Spain, said to have financed Columbus' expedition to the New World.

There were over 60 different medals and so-called dollars issued for the Fair. They commemorated, or illustrated nearly all patriotic occurrences, buildings of the Fair, and famous people.

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There were the official medals showing the United States Government buildings, the Declaration of Independence dollar, a series pertaining to the discovery of America, and Bird's Eye view dollars, City of Chicago dollars, and Ferris wheel dollars—the Ferris wheel being a new innovation at the Fair. World Globe dollars comprised a series of 13 dollars showing the various palaces. There were Statue of Liberty and Liberty Head dollars, and no less than 17 different medals commemorating Columbus.

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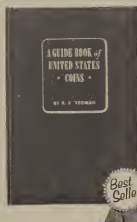
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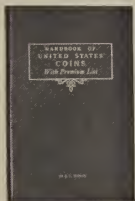


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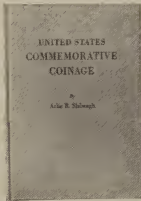


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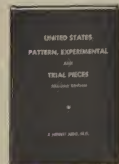


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—Mrs. N. D., Massachusetts

## Answer:

The coin you have is not a dime but a nickel 3-cent piece currently retailing at \$1.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

I have read many times your column, *Coin Quiz* in my wife's HOBBIES Magazine. As a small collector trying to build up stock, I frequently search through rolls of coins. Recently I ran across a 1944 Lincoln cent that caught my eye because of its new or different appearance.

At first I thought it was a Proof coin that had gotten into circulation; then considered possibility of someone having placed a chemical on it to make it shine. I used olive oil, letting it soak for some time and wiping with soft cloth; then soap and water, and plenty of water, repeating this process several times along with another regular 1944 Lincoln cent I had.

It would appear this coin is of different metal than normally used as in artificial light it has a color similar to regular brass, whereas the other 1944 Lincoln is clean and looks like any copper coin. Before I worry some coin dealer about this, would appreciate any suggestion you may have as to a test I can make at home, or a cleaning process that will not damage the coin but will eliminate possibility of there being a foreign substance on same.

Likewise, assuming this coin has been struck on different metal, what value might it have? A rough estimate would be a big help to me, as I don't collect coins that are irregular. And last, would you happen to know a coin dealer in this part of the country whom I could contact, once I am sure the coin is worth the trouble of taking to someone for personal examination?

—J. W. L., Florida

## Answer:

The 1944 cents were made out of "shell case" copper or brass and do have a different color than other previous cents. They also will vary in color and I think this is the difference in your two coins. As to cleaning, what you have already used would eliminate the necessity of using any other cleaning methods.

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## Question:

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## Answer:

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Coin A appears to be of nickel or dirty silver. The reverse is unreadable. The coin is quite thin.

Coin B is made of silver and has very clear details.

Coin C is copper and is about 1/2 inch thick.

Coin D is silver and 3/16 inch thick.

—B. A., Ohio

## Answer:

A is quite unidentifiable due to its apparent wear but might be an ancient Roman coin, on the other hand it could be most anything.

B is most likely a coin of the Greek civilization era.

C very evidently is recent Greek but not a coin, must be a token of some sort.

D is similar to coins struck by a Native Indian State Jodhpur.

With the sparseness of information it would be difficult for me to evaluate them, however with the exception of B, the others are quite common.

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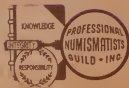
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# Old Mechanical Banks

Conducted by F. H. GRIFFITH

## Cat and Mouse Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH

A rather large impressive appearing bank that actually looks more like a clock than a savings device is our choice as No. 124 in the numerical classification. This is the Cat And Mouse Bank, and upon first seeing the item few people would realize that it is an animated toy bank. While no clock face is evident the general appearance and configuration leaves the impression that it is a clock. In any event, the bank is a very well made item, unique in both appearance and action.

The bank was patented April 21, 1891 by James H. Bowen of Philadelphia, Pa. Here again the patent papers are of considerable interest. Please note the picture and in particular the mouse clinging to the ball that is held in the upraised hind legs of the cat. In the patent papers and the drawings specifically this ball is held so that the mouse faced the front and actually revolved with the ball. In other words it was designed by Bowen so that when the action took place the mouse spun around

with the ball suspended in the hind paws of the cat. Apparently this was changed by the J. & E. Stevens Company, the manufacturers of the bank, to simplify its production.

As we shall see though this does not follow through smoothly with the continuity of the action as originally planned by Bowen. Although it is possible he made the change himself as it could be the additional mechanism and parts were not practical or feasible to permit this extra action. In addition to this change from the original patent papers, an entirely different figure was possibly used in place of the cat standing on his head as pictured. Several examples of this part were found at the Stevens Company some years ago. In this case a niece-looking cat is sitting upright and the mouse is held in the mouth of the cat. In addition a kitten has the mouse by the tail. While it is not known how many banks, if any, were actually produced in this fashion, there is no question but that it was felt by certain individuals at Stevens that this was a too realistic representation, likely somewhat unpleasant to children, and thus discarded in favor of the more pleasing figure as shown in the picture herewith.

Leon Perelman of Merion, Pa., is the owner of the excellent specimen shown. It is in original condition with fine paint and the colors are as follows: The overall bank is brown and the ornate parts on each side are a tan color. Sections done in gold include the decorative feet or legs of the base, the front area under the lever, and the circular heading around the large face of the cat. This face is black and white with a large red bow under the mouth. Blue is used to highlight the background of this circular area. The cat standing on its head has a bright yellow costume trimmed in red and blue and the face is painted the same as the larger one. The ball is white with red stripes and the mouse is grey with blue eyes. On the base is inscribed the patent date of April 21, 1891. It bears mention that the Cat And Mouse Bank was painted in various ways, that is to say other specimens have the large face of the cat in two tones of grey and the costume of the cat on top in red, some have the overall bank in a grey color instead of brown. In any case, it is a very colorful, attractive bank.

The bank as pictured is shown after the action has taken place. To operate the bank from the position shown the figure on top is pushed backward and it revolves and clicks in place inside the bank. As this is done the figure of a mouse revolves into place on top of the bank. This mouse faces forward. The bank is now ready to operate. A coin is placed in front of the mouse. The lever, under the large cat's face, is then depressed and the mouse disappears to reappear on the ball as shown in the picture. The coin drops on down inside the bank. Coins are removed by means of the conventional round type Stevens trap.

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The Aes Rude, was followed by the Aes Signatum, and then by the better known Aes Grave, which were the first attempts at issuing coins of fixed denominations.

It is estimated that these first appeared around 300 B.C.. They consisted of a series of different sized coins, the Aes Grave measuring nearly three inches across, and having upon its obverse the head of Janus.

The Semis ( $\frac{1}{2}$  Aes) had the head of Jupiter. The Triens ( $\frac{1}{3}$  Aes), the head of Pallas. The Quadrans ( $\frac{1}{4}$  Aes), the head of Hercules. The

Sextans ( $\frac{1}{6}$  Aes), the head of Mercury, and the Unica ( $\frac{1}{12}$  Aes), the head of Roma.

The reverse of all these was the prow of a war-ship, most likely a Trireme. All of these early cast pieces are very rare.

Copying the more advanced and civilized Greeks, the first silver pieces were known as Didrachms (2 Drachma) and were identical in size, and similar in design to the Greek Didrachms of the times.

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The first Denarius, issued by the Roman Consul around 268 B.C. had upon its obverse the doubled-headed God Janus. Designs varied upon the obverse, with quadrigas (four-horse-drawn chariots) and bigas, (two mounted horsemen) being the most popular. These were also issued in lesser denominations, namely the Quinarius ( $\frac{1}{2}$  Denarius) and Sestertius ( $\frac{1}{4}$  Denarius).

The bronze coins of the times, the Dupondius, and Tripondius, were connected to the silver pieces by a fixed ratio. This ratio did not last for very long and we now find the beginning of the millennium, long, gradual inflation of the Roman monetary system which ultimately contributed to the fall of the civilization.

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## Question:

I'm interested to know if there is any way to tell what year my Maria Theresa thalers were actually minted even though all issues bear the same date, 1780. I'm sure each coin is from a different issue due to irregularities in the placement of the impressions. I presume the "S.F." below the bust indicates the place of coinage.

The inscription on the edge of coin No. 1 (see rubbing) can be read from the obverse side, while those on 2 and 3 are read from the reverse. Also can you tell me what the inscriptions mean? I shall print them below for easier reading. Obverse: R IMP HU BO REG M THERESIA DG Reverse: BURG CO TYR 1780 X ARCHIO AVST DUX Edge: IUS-TITIA ET CLEMENTIA.

—J. E. W., U.S.N., New York

## Answer:

There is really no way of telling when the Maria Theresa thalers were minted. The more recent ones are usually Uncirculated with Proof sus-

tre. The inscription means: Obv. Maria Theresa, Queen and Empress Hungary Bohemia, By the Grace of God. Rev. Burgandy Tyrol 1780 Arch Austrian Duchess.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

This pencil rubbing is a rough idea of a 1908 coin. Can you tell me what it is, and its value?

Don't know if you can tell anything about this rubbing as it is pretty well worn. The side with the head says Republique Francaise. Other side has a wreath around it. In center is writing, something starts with a D — ME.

—W. N., Kentucky

## Answer:

The French coin is a 2 sou piece of the French Republic worth about 5 cents. The other is a Philippine one peso piece with a value of about \$5.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Am writing with the hope you might help us determine the value of any of the following coins. See pencil rubbings.

—Mrs. L. A., Kansas

## Answer:

Your 1877 cent is rare. Its value is between \$50 and \$200 depending upon condition. The Canadian coins are worth current exchange value only.

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## Question:

I have a brass token, 1 of 50,000 carried on the vessel making the first passage through the Panama Canal. On front it has "Prosperity To All Nations" at top. Standing is a woman holding a globe of the world in each hand with an eagle on her dress. On back it has at top, "Commemorating the Opening of the Panama Canal to the Commerce of the World." At bottom it has serial number 21735, and below that, "Copyrighted 1916."

—T. H., Bivens, Texas

## Answer:

I do not believe your token would be of much value to coin collectors. Such tokens usually are only of interest to those that were connected with the event.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Enclosed is pencil rubbing of a 1944 Filipinas coin. Could you tell me if it has any value? It is in good condition.

—A. C., Texas

## Answer:

Your coin is only worth around 5c.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Enclosed find listing of some of my coins. What price do you list them?

—Mrs. J. C. W., Colorado

## Answer:

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—C. F., New York

## Question:

Please identify this coin.

—P. V. G., W. Virginia

## Answer:

The coin is a thaler of Maria Theresa of Austria. It is a trade dollar coined to use in Africa, and while these are dated 1780 they are still coined with the same date. They retail for \$1.75.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Enclosed is a drawing of a German Commemorative coin. I would like any information you can give on it. How much is it worth?

—C. F., Wisconsin

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—C. F., New York

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To operate the bank the top of the bill (open as shown in the picture) is pushed down. This in turn pushes the figure into the pouch where it locks in place. Pressing a coin into the slot in the top of the head releases the mechanism and the figure springs up into position pushing the top part of the bill open and thus exposing the figure as shown in the picture. The coin drops inside the body of the pelican. To remove accumulated coins it is necessary to take out two screws that hold the pelican to the base. The base, by the way, is very decorative with shells, fish, seaweed and the like thereon.

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Probably one of the greatest boons to the numismatic world was the Panama-Pacific International Exposition of 1915.

Designed to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the discovery of the Pacific Ocean by Balboa; the rebuilding of San Francisco after the 1906 earthquake and fire; and the opening of the Panama Canal, the Exposition issued more commemorative coins than any exposition before or after.

The most popular coin was the commemorative half dollar, a most attractive piece of which 27,134 were distributed. Quite a few of these were carried as a pocket good-luck coin, so many specimens are found in circulated condition today.

Of the two smaller, and attractive gold pieces, the dollar had 25,000 issued, and the quarter eagle or two-and-one-half dollar piece had 6,749 issued. They were accepted with a reasonable amount of popularity.

The most unusual coins were the two \$50 gold pieces, one round, the other octagonal. When supplies of these were ordered, the commission anticipated the sale of 1,000 of each variety.

Sales, however, did not come up to expectations, and after the Exposition nearly half of the coins were returned to the mint to be melted. This left, for collectors, 483 round coins, 645 octagonal ones. They are, therefore, very rare today. Their denomination makes them the only official fifty-dollar gold pieces struck by the United States mint.

The coins were also issued as a complete set of five coins in a special case. Apparently very few of these were sold for they are now very rare.

The official medal, very beautiful, comes in silver, bronze, and gilt. The obverse has Winged Mercury opening a canal lock, with "Argo," a ship symbolizing navigation, passing through. The reverse has two female figures surrounding a globe with the Western Hemisphere upon it.

This was not the only medal struck for the Exposition. There were 12 "State Fund" so-called dollars. The

medal for Alabama, was struck in bronze, and silver-plated bronze, and is very rare.

The state of Arkansas struck one in aluminum; Florida, one in bronze, and silver-plated bronze. Georgia's was bronze, and silver-plated bronze and is very rare.

Louisiana's was bronze, and silver-plated bronze; Maryland's, bronze, and silver-plated bronze, and it is very rare. Mississippi's was bronze, and silver-plated bronze, and is very rare.

North Carolina's was bronze, and silver-plated bronze, and is very rare. Oregon's was bronze, and silver-plated bronze. South Carolina's was bronze, and silver-plated bronze, and is very rare. Tennessee's was bronze, and silver-plated bronze, and is very rare.

All of these are easily identifiable for they all have upon them the state's name and the name of the exposition. All have different designs.

There were three Exposition State dollars, all in gilt brass. The first, has a female figure standing, on obverse; a ship passing through canal, on reverse. The second, shows the "Tower of Jewels" at the Exposition. A third, with some varieties, shows a female figure standing with a small bear. None of these are very rare.

An Exposition City dollar shows two nude female figures clasping hands over the Panama Canal. It was struck in brass and bronze. There were baroque Shield dollar, which is scarce, and a "four portraits" dollar.

There were also the U.S. Exposition dollar in gilt, and two octagonal medals in silver, and in gilt bronze. Both have, on their obverse, facsimile of the pioneer fifty-dollar gold slugs.

It is too bad a commemorative coin will not be issued for the New York World's Fair. However, there will be many official medals or so-called dollars, and perhaps these will be a good investment for the future.



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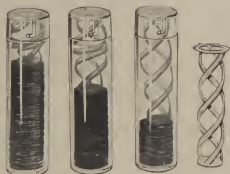
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## Question:

Recently among some old coins, I found a thin brass one with milled edges. On the obverse is an uncrowned head with the inscription to the left of the head "H.M.G.M. Queen" and on the right of the head, "Victoria." On the reverse of the coin at the top is the inscription "To Hanover." Below this is a knight on horse back with what appears to be a dragon running on the ground in the same direction as the horse, viz to the right. Under this is the date 1830. My tracing of the coin is not good, but I hope you will be able to give an opinion as to what it is and its monetary value if it has any. Is it money?

—G. E. S., Michigan

## Answer:

You have an English token with a retail value of approximately 25c.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Could you give me any information on this coin? I've had it for over 30 years and until recently thought it was a one dollar gold piece. See pencil rubbing.

—M. K., California

## Answer:

Your coin is an imitation of a California gold dollar and of little value.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

I have a bronze coin brought from England in 1942. It has the initials "S.C." Letters CILLAPA, others are not legible. Can you tell me the worth of this coin?

—Mrs. H. M. W., Texas

## Answer:

Your coin is a medium bronze of ancient Rome. I cannot tell you the ruler as I have to have more complete information regarding the lettering.

If the lettering is not legible the coin would not be valuable. Worth probably between \$1 and \$2.50.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

We long considered this medal a coin but know now it is not. I would not know where else to turn for any information of this kind and assure you we will surely appreciate anything you can tell us.

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This coin has been in my family as long as we can remember, having been used as jewelry.

In Dorothy Foster Brown's Button Parade Book I see a button commemorating the 800th anniversary of the beginning of the Crusades in 1090. I wonder if the date on my coin might be 1090 instead of the 1690 we have always considered.

The medal or medallion is of bronze. Has a hole for wearing on chain. Shield shaped boxes on one side depict England's Lion, Ireland's Lyre, France's Fleur-de-Lis. I don't know the other, maybe Scotland's bairnipes? I have noted all lettering I can make out. Any monetary value? Thanks so much.

—Mrs. O. A. S., California

## Answer:

The piece is a bronze jeton or merchants' token of England dated 1690. The fact that it has a hole in it makes it valueless.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

I would appreciate it if you could tell me if the following bill has any value: "Two shillings, #22490. This bill shall pass current for two shillings according to an Act of General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania passed the 20th day of March, in the year 1777. Dated the 10th of April, A.D. 1777. Two shillings (Signed) L. (or J.) Young, Jr."

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—Mrs. T. C. V., Pennsylvania

## Answer:

If your Continental currency note is in fine condition it would be worth around \$5, but if it is badly worn it would be worth around \$1.50.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

I would appreciate it very much if you could tell me the value of this coin. It is a 1698 2/3 thaler. It was minted in the Province of Brunswick, Wolfenbuttel, Germany, which was under the rule of Rudolph August and Antony Ulric. This coin is in fine condition.

—D. L. C., Arizona

## Answer:

As you give me no address I cannot write you. Your thaler retails around \$2.50.

—C. F., New York

## Question:

Please give values of following: Unc. quarter 1957. Unc. 50c, 1951. "50 centavos," 1921. 2-cent piece, 1864. Cent, 1865; very odd. Has Indian Head one side, drum, flags, etc. on reverse. New Zealand (3D) 1942 King George VI on one side. German coin of 1943 with eagle and Nazi emblem on one side, "Reich-Fennig I on reverse. Nickel, 1888, number 5 and 13 stars on this.

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Large (maybe) unc. dollar bill.

One large dollar bill, also very good two dollar bill. Hawaii one dollar bill. 100,000 German "frank" note.

—Mrs. A. M. K., Washington

## Answer:

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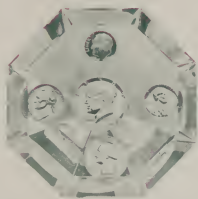
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